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## PEASANTS UNION IN CONTROL.

## CHANGSHA AUTHORITIES OVER-RULED.

## PUZZLE OF CHIANG KAI-SHEK'S SUCCESSOR.

## SHELLFIRE AT NANKING.

News from the Yangtsze zone today states that the Peasants' Union has secured complete control at Changsha, subjecting the military and civil authorities to their rule. There is considerable panic among the Chinese on the outskirts of Nanking by reason of the heavy shelling between the rival forces and there has been a big influx into Nanking native city.

The contending armies in the region of Chinkiang are lining the river banks, the Northerners being on the north bank and the Southerners opposite. There is apparently nothing more than an artillery duel going on at the moment.

In connexion with the split in the ranks of the Nationalists it is definitely confirmed that Marshal Chiang Kai-shek has been "dismissed" but there are differing reports regarding his successor. One report stated that General Feng Yu-hsiang has been appointed Commander-in-Chief, but a later message mentions General Tang Chen-shi, who has been in command of the Nationalist forces in the Hankow area.

At any rate, the latter has inspected a big military parade at Wuchang, preparatory to a move against the Fengtien forces.

Changsha, April 19. Changsha is one of the places where the Peasants' Union acting for the Communists have secured complete control of the situation. Three Soviet agents landed here to-day from the s.s. Kungwo.

The civil and military authorities are now subject to the authority of the peasants.—Naval Wireless.

Wuhu Settles Down.

Draft For The First Devons.

London, April 19.

Wuhu has settled down and there is nothing to report from the city. Firing is now being opened from Tatung Pagoda on all passing steamers.—Naval Wireless.

## SHELLFIRE AT NANKING.

### Considerable Damage Done.

Nanking, April 19. The population of Hsingkwan are fleeing into Nanking native city as the result of shellfire from the Pukow side. A considerable amount of damage in Hsingkwan is reported.

The Nationalist authorities have commenced to take the Customs Fund. Up to date the amount they have commandeered is \$20,000.—Naval Wireless.

The Northern Line.

Chinkiang, April 19. The Northern forces are now lining the north bank of the Yangtsze from Pukow to Tung-chow. Marshal Chang Tsung-chang's troops occupy the region from Pukow to Hsikerhwei, while Marshal Sun Chuan-fang's forces have control from the latter place to Tungchow.—Naval Wireless.

## HANKOW BANS CHIANG.

### Who Will Be Successor?

Shanghai, April 19. According to Chinese reports received here this afternoon, the Nationalist Government at Hankow has issued three mandates.

The first dismisses Marshal Chiang Kai-shek from the post of Commander-in-Chief of the Nationalist forces, and orders his arrest and punishment.

The second appoints General Feng Yu-hsiang to succeed Chiang Kai-shek, with Teng Seng-chi (the military governor of Honan) as associate Commander-in-Chief. The latter has been ordered to advance to Nanking to attack Chiang Kai-shek.

The third announces the severance of all relations with Nanking and Shanghai.—Reuter.

The New C-i-C.

Hankow, April 19. Although so far it has not been officially announced it would appear that General Tang Chen-shi has been appointed the new Commander-in-Chief of the Nationalist Armies. The Hankow Committee have officially intimated the dismissal of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek.

General Tang Chen-shi inspected a large military parade at Wu-

## CANTON CALM.

### TIDE TURNS TOWARD CHIANG.

### PEASANTS SHOW FIGHT.

The present situation at Canton may be likened to the calm after the storm. The clean-up of "Reds" has had the effect of subduing all factions who hovered on the verge of revolt, and it is noticeable that parties which were formerly considered to have extremist leanings are now foremost in declaring their loyalty to Chiang Kai-shek. Evidently the strong hand of the military clique was the antidote to Soviet plotting that the city badly needed.

The latest reports describe Canton as quiet, though in the outlying districts, where the peasants have been affected by "Red" propaganda, the situation has not improved. There are reports of brushes between the rebellious farmers and loyalist troops.

### Buying Freedom.

There are still a number of prisoners taken in Friday's coup, said to include a few Russians, who are awaiting trial. It is reported that many of these have managed to escape from the buildings which were turned into temporary gaols, principally by means of bribing their guards. It is doubtful whether they can form a menace now, and it is quite likely they will soon be among those students and labourers who are already so loudly expounding their anti-"Red" sentiments.

### New Moderate Government?

In view of the doubt as to how far the Hankow officials appointed

## MANILA EARTHQUAKE.

### Severe Shock Cracks Buildings.

Manila, April 20.

An earthquake lasting forty seconds occurred at 1.30 this morning.

It was the most severe felt within recent months, and cracked a few buildings.

There were no casualties.—Reuter.

by the Chiang regime are now against him, or how far they are obliged to pander to the extremists in that centre of Communism, it is interesting to note a report that Mrs. Sun Yat-sen, her son Mr. Sun Po, her brother, Mr. T. V. Soong, and her brother-in-law, Dr. H. H. Kung (an interview with whom appears elsewhere in this issue), are pro-Chiang Kai-shek, and are leaving for Nanking, where a new Nationalist Moderate Government is being set up. As we recorded yesterday, Mr. Soong managed to get away from Hankow recently, whilst Mr. Eugene Chen is, apparently, obliged to stay under duress.

Operations Against Peasants.

Canton, April 19. Owing to operations along the West and North river regions against the "Red" peasants, through traffic along the Canton-Samshiu and Yuen-han railways has not yet been resumed up to the time of writing. The Yuen-han trains run as far as Sunkai, above which station fighting is believed to be in progress between the Nationalist regulars and the peasants corps, and the railway trucks there have been destroyed.

The Canton-Samshiu trains are only running between here and Fatshan. The section between Fatshan and Samshiu is being repaired. During recent battles done to the railway trucks and rolling stock by the "Red" peasants corps.

The "Red" peasants in Eastern Kwangtung are still very active. The Reds in Pingtahan and Holungfeng are attempting to take Waichow and are having a severe struggle with General Hu Chien's 18th Division, which is the garrison of the East River.

Call on Village Volunteers.

The Army Headquarters has given orders instructing the Man-

## P. & O. MAIL STEAMER ASHORE.

### KHIVA GROUNDS IN STEEP ISLAND PASS.

### WARSHIPS SENT TO SCENE.

Shanghai, April 20. The P. and O. mail steamer Khiva went ashore in Steep Island Pass, about a hundred miles south of Shanghai, at about 4.30 a.m. this morning.

The Khiva was badly holed and within a short time eighteen feet of water in her No. 1 hold was reported.

At nine o'clock this morning, the pumps had reduced this to eight feet, and no danger to her passengers is feared.

Two tugs and the British warships, H.M.S. Durban and H.M.S. Wolsey have been ordered to her assistance.—Reuter.

The s.s. Khiva left Hongkong for Shanghai on Saturday and it is therefore thought probable that the vessel encountered fog on the way. She is a twin-screw steamer of 9,017 tons gross, well-known on the London-China-Japan run, and is commanded by Capt. C. P. Cooper.

The vessel is only thirteen years old, having been constructed in 1914 by Messrs. Cammell Laird and Co. She carried no European passengers from Hongkong we were informed on enquiry at the local offices of the Peninsular and Oriental Company this morning.

## THE COLONY'S HEALTH.

### SMALL-POX AGAIN IN EVIDENCE.

The feature of the local health return for the 24 hours ending yesterday is a recurrence of small-pox, there having been two Chinese cases reported, after nearly a week's freedom from the disease.

Following only three cases of enteric during Easter, four fresh cases were reported yesterday, all Chinese.

The return also gives two cases of diphtheria, one Portuguese and one Chinese.

The health return for the week ending April 16, gives seven cases of small-pox, all Chinese and all fatal. There was only one case of diphtheria, and one instance of puerperal fever (Chinese), both proving fatal.

The week also returned eight cases of enteric, all Chinese, one being imported, with five deaths resulting. There as also one report of paratyphoid, also Chinese.

## NEW BRITISH DESTROYER.

### FIRST BUILT SINCE THE WAR.

London, April 19. The first new destroyer to be built since the war, the Ambuscade, was commissioned at Chatham today for service in the Atlantic fleet.

On her trials she was proved capable of maintaining the designed speed of 37 knots.

She is to be ready to leave for Harwich on April 26 for a settling-down cruise before assembling with the ships of the Atlantic fleet at the end of the spring leave.

She is equipped with four 4.7 inch guns and two two-pounder pom-poms.—British Wireless.

## SEDITIVE BOOKS.

### CHINESE CHARGED AT KOWLOON.

Prosecuted by Mr. C. G. Perdue, of the Criminal Investigation Department, a Shantung Chinese was charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, with having in his possession a quantity of sedition books and documents.

In answer to the charge, the defendant, who was arrested on board the s.s. Sinkiang, pleaded that the books were given to him by a friend, while he had used the papers only to pack his luggage.

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## MODERATE VIEWS.

### CANTONESE MINISTER INTERVIEWED.

### NEW NANKING GOVERNMENT.

The Nationalist Minister of Industry and Commerce, Dr. H. H. Kung, has arrived in Hongkong on a private visit, and in an interview with a Telegraph reporter yesterday, gave a number of interesting indications of the present trend of affairs in China.

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Having recently arrived from Nanking and Shanghai, the two centres on which the eyes of the world are now focussed, and having been also in constant contact with Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, his statements will be received with interest.

Dr. Kung said that until recently he was acting as Commissioner of Finance of Kwangtung Province and Acting Minister of Finance (in the absence of Mr. T. V. Soong) at Canton, when a number of urgent telegrams from Marshal Chiang Kai-shek and Minister T. V. Soong caused his departure from Canton. He left on the 4th instant, having been invited to Shanghai by those gentlemen to talk over the various problems relating to financial, industrial and foreign affairs which have arisen from Nationalist control of that area. In any case, his stay in Canton was only temporary, for the Ministry of Industry and Commerce would be located in the place where the Nationalist Government would be. It was absurd Dr. Kung stated, to say that he was forced to flee from Canton on account of the trouble in that city.

New Nanking Government.

There was in process of formation at Nanking a Kuomintang

## MATSHED ROBBERY TRIAL.

### SENTENCE ON WONGNEI-CHONG RAIDERS.

### HEAVY TERMS IMPOSED.

When two Chinese were charged with robbery at the Criminal Sessions this morning, before Mr. J. R. Wood, acting Chief Justice, the first prisoner alleged that the second man forced him to commit the crime. The second prisoner admitted the charge, and his Lordship, taking the first man's allegation at a plea of "not guilty," ordered the second prisoner to be taken out of the dock until the trial of No. 1 was finished.

The prisoners, Tsu Lam and Li Tsoi were charged with robbing a Chinese widow, Hau Hop, and two others, of bangles, earrings, rings, and money, at a matshed at Wong-neichong Village, on March 14th.

Mr. H. K. Holmes prosecuted for the Crown.

Mr. Holmes said that the woman Hau Hop lived in a matshed on the outskirts of Wong-neichong Village, together with her son and young daughter, says the Shanghai Times. Bandits being a common curse of the district, Mr. Metcalf had not set much store by rumours that a powerful gang was quartered in the vicinity of the town. The inhabitants were, however, anxious for their safety, and on February 14, raided the bandit camp in an attempt to drive the outlaws from the district. After a pitched battle, three of the bandits were taken prisoners, and the gang driven off. The next day, however, they returned and wreaked terrible vengeance on the district, which is known as the "Forty-one Villages."

Daughter Hidden.

Mr. Metcalf was warned of their attack only just in time to get his daughter, a mere child, into hiding with some of the native Christians, where she remained safe throughout the raid.

The brigands, however, surrounded the mission premises, and seized Mr. and Mrs. Metcalf. The chief assured Mr. Metcalf that no harm was intended, provided the foreigners would protect the bandit camp from retaliation by troops who were known to be making in their direction.

Mrs. Metcalf was allowed to go without being molested, but Mr. Metcalf was carried off, after the gang had set fire to part of the town, and done considerable execution among the citizens.

Village Raids.

After some negotiations, the bandits agreed to allow Mr. Metcalf a mule to ride and to use the bedding which was sent to him by his wife and his Chinese friends. Thus assisted, Mr. Metcalf accompanied the brigands while they raided a neighbouring village and destroyed its buildings. Mr. Metcalf was instrumental in saving one village from total destruction, pointing out to the bandit chief that by burning the village he was decreasing his chances of pardon by the Governor of the province.

One hundred and fifty soldiers were sent from Wuting, a large town, in pursuit of the bandits, and quickly got on to their track. These soldiers took the robbers by surprise and inflicted several casualties before the band could make their escape, taking with them Mr. Metcalf and several other prisoners from whom they hoped to make sufficient to buy off the attacking soldiers. Mr. Metcalf then went through two nights of severe hardship in the bitter cold, the robbers' flight from their camp being too sudden to allow of his getting his bedding, or even a wrap for the chilly winter nights.

Hard-up for Food.

He was entirely dependent for food on what the brigands could give him from their own meals, and at night lay between two men who shared the shelter of their felt cloaks.

One day he got nothing to eat save a small piece of brown sugar, and had no water to drink. Mr. Metcalf was by this time becoming so weak from exhaustion that he interviewed the robber chieftains, and explained to them that if he were not released he would become ill on their hands. He explained that as long as he was with them the soldiers who were pursuing them would not think of coming to terms, and that fighting would probably cease on his release.

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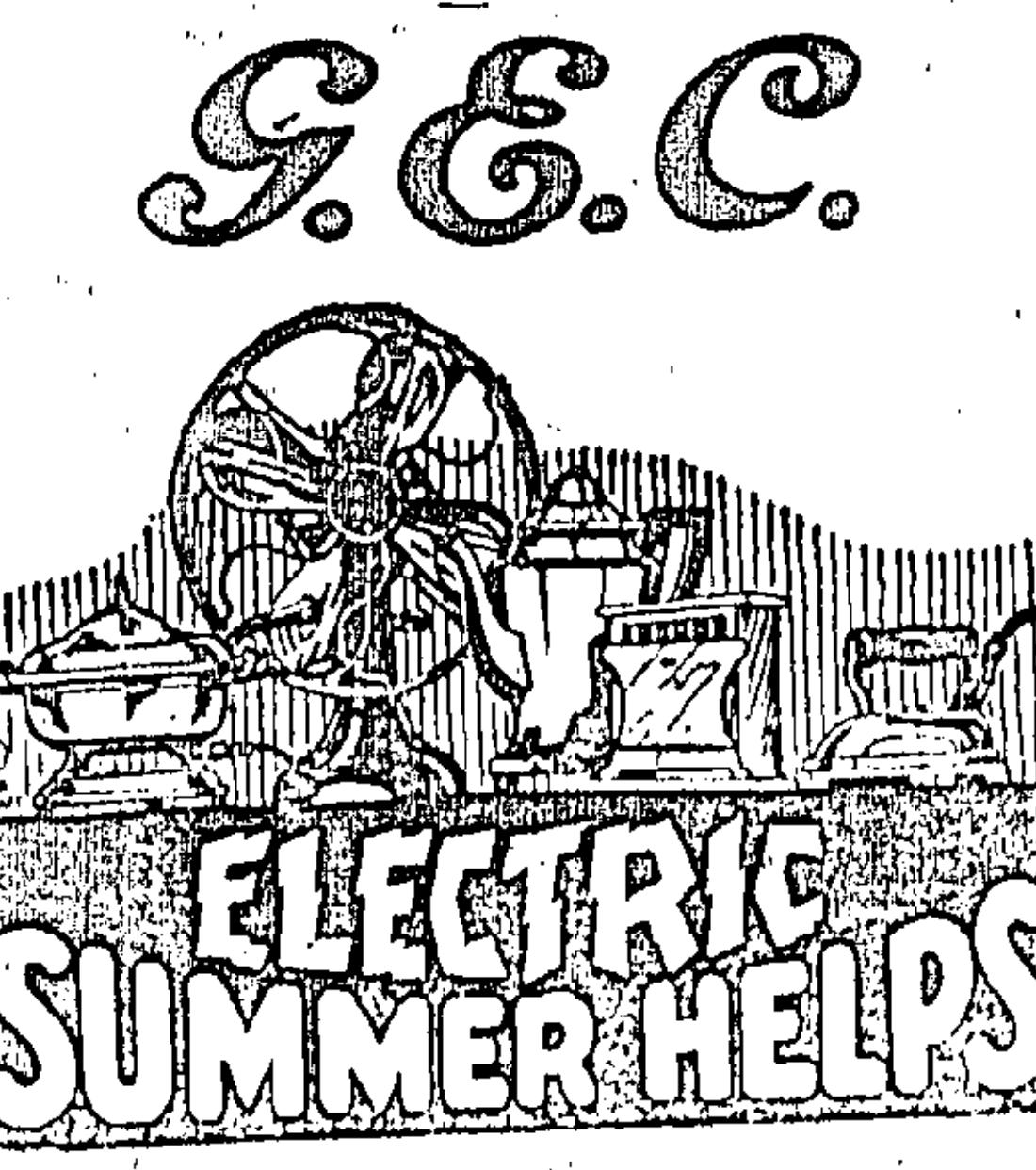
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### POWER BROKEN.

#### SHANGHAI COMMUNISTS DEMORALIZED.

Shanghai, April 15.

It is held in Kuomintang circles that the backbone of the Communist Party organization in Shanghai has been broken by armed force. The C. P. did not believe that General Chiang Kai-shek would authorize the use of the army against the labourers, as was done on Tuesday and Wednesday, as such action is definitely against the rules of the party.

The fact is that in the suppression of the C. P., the soldiers have been instructed to shoot into crowds and it is now known that during Wednesday's fighting, the casualties were in the neighbourhood of 100 on the part of the labourers. How many soldiers were killed and wounded is not being given out.

#### A Miniature Arsenal.

The round-up of Communist headquarters brought to General Chow Feng-chi's army huge stores of arms and munitions. Among the articles captured were:

- 3,000 rifles.
- 20 machine-guns
- 200 Mauser convertible pistols
- 400 automatic pistols
- 800,000 (?) rounds of munitions
- 7 handcart loads of axes
- 2,000 long-handled pikes.

The figures for the rounds of ammunition are questioned because of the enormous quantity; yet these are the figures which were given in an authoritative report yesterday. Wang Shao-hua, the centre of the Labour agitation, is believed to be dead.

#### Troops Hired by the G. L. U.

Among those arrested were 85 men, among whom were found 42 belonging to the Chihli-Shantung Army and who admitted that they had been hired by the General Labour Union to attempt to seize the headquarters of the 26th Army Corps. They will be tried and if found guilty, it is understood that they will receive the maximum punishment.

General Pei Chung-hsi arrived from Nanking at noon yesterday and stated that the Nanking Police had raided the Communist headquarters in Nanking and had captured more than a dozen C. P. leaders. He also stated that the Military Command were satisfied with the military situation in Kiangsu and that reports of Northern successes have been exaggerated. His train encountered no difficulty in coming through from Nanking to Shanghai.

#### Where the Raids Were.

Among the buildings raided by the Nationalist troops in their campaign against the C. P. during this week were:

Huchow Guild, Library of the Commercial Press, 6th District Police Station, Door of Hope, B. A. T. Workers Union (Footlong), Wenchow Guild, Anti-Kidnapping Society, Kuan Fu Yuen Restaurant, Sock Factory Machinists' Labour Union, Federation of Labourers, Peasants, Merchants, Students, and Soldiers, The Toyoda Cotton Mill Labourers' Union, Sung Sings Cotton Mill Labourers' Union, Ming Sings Cotton Mill Labourers' Union, Headquarters of the Special District of the Shanghai Kuomintang Party, the Shanghai Provincial Government. Some of these organizations had C. P. affiliations; others had been seized by the C. P. who used the buildings against their wishes.

#### Union Re-organized.

The General Labour Union has not exactly been dissolved. It has rather been taken over by Chiang Kai-shek's Government, which has instructed the Federated Association of Labour Unions, an anti-

### KOWLOON TONG.

#### MOTION FOR PROVISION OF A MARKET.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held yesterday, the Chairman of the Board, Mr. N. L. Smith presiding. Other members of the Board present were Mr. H. T. Jackman (Acting Director of Public Works), Dr. Pope, (Medical Officer of Health), Dr. S. W. Tao, Mr. J. P. Braga, Dr. S. C. Ho, and the Secretary of the Board, (Mr. D. D. Davies).

The principal business was consideration of the following motion put forward by Mr. J. P. Braga:

"That, in the opinion of the Board, supplementary recommendation should be forwarded to the Government for the inclusion in the Estimates for 1928 of a 4-stall market, at or in close proximity to the Kau Lung Tong Estate."

#### Is a Market Necessary?

Putting the motion before the meeting, the Chairman said that he thought members had seen the correspondence leading up to the motion, which was not considered and recommended in time for the estimates of the current year. He was not quite sure that there had been much demand for the stalls with the estate at its present size, or would be even when there were 250 occupied houses with a population of about 2,000.

At the same time he would leave it entirely to the consideration of the members, without opposing the motion, but would point out that the views of the Board had always received full consideration by the Government; and that bearing the case, the recommendation for a stall market should not be forwarded unless it was necessary.

In any case, he saw no harm in recommending the motion to the Government, who would cut it out from the estimates if they could not afford it.

The Hon. Mr. Jackman said the provision of a market could hardly be justified by the present size of the estate. It could be saved for the 1929 Estimates.

#### A Real Need.

Mr. Braga said that according to the plans of the Kowloon Tong Estate Subscribers' Association, 250 houses would have been completed and occupied by the end of the year, and officials of the Association had assured him that the need for a market was as real as the improvement of transport facilities.

He pointed out that one of the objects of the Kowloon Tong Estate scheme was the relieving of congested areas, and that object would be helped by inducements such as the provision of a market, amongst other facilities.

The motion was carried, the Acting Director of Public Works being the only member voting against it.

Other business was formal.

Communist organization, to occupy the Huchow Guild and to function in the place of the General Labour Union. Dissolution would have involved many problems, but in the present reorganization scheme, the new union is able to seize and hold any funds which the General Labour Union may have had.

General Chang Pai-chi, former Commander of the Ningpo Forts Garrison, and Mr. Yung Ching-fu, Vice-Commander of the Chapei Volunteer Corps, have been entrusted with the task of reorganizing the labour unions which that will contain no C. P. elements.

The taking over of the District Committee of the Kuomintang Party eliminates the so-called Left Wing from further activity in Shanghai. This Wing, while retaining the name Kuomintang, has always been in close affiliation with the C. P.

### THE PREVALENCE OF LOTTERIES.

#### SOLICITOR'S COMMENT ON WHOLESALE GUILT.

Mr. F. H. Loseby defended four Chinese who were charged yesterday with keeping a gambling house, the possession of lottery tickets (*po piu*) and with making them.

After Sub-Inspector Shaftain had described to Major C. Willson, the raid which the police made on No. 29, Hillier Street, and the circumstances under which the defendants were arrested, Mr. Loseby stated that every Club in the Colony ran a lottery and practically everyone was guilty under the section by which his client was charged. He said that only poor people of "this particular type" were brought into Court. He made a plea for leniency.

Evidence showed that during the raid four lots of *po piu* tickets were found. The first defendant was arrested sitting at desk on which were 340 tickets. From a place where the second defendant rose 780 tickets were found. Another man had tickets in his pocket.

Mr. Loseby asked his Worship to take into consideration the fact that his clients had been in police custody for a few days. The first defendant was not connected with the house. The second and third men were fokis who were employed at 30 to 50 cents a night. They certainly did not own the business.

Sub-Inspector Shaftain: They were found waiting and they are certainly running the gambling house. The first defendant in the witness box stated that he was a Chinese doctor and went there only to visit a friend.

Mr. Loseby submitted that the men, employed as they were, could not be considered as conducting the business. "In my own office I should be very sorry if my messengers and coolies were to be considered as conducting the business. Similarly in this court how could anybody but your Worship be conducting a case," he added.

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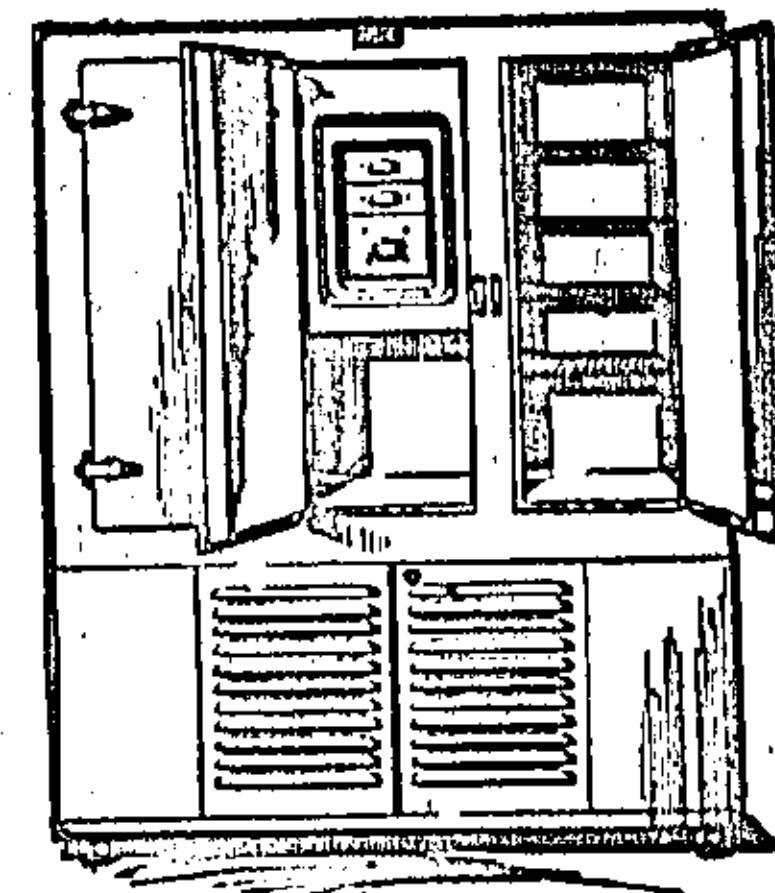
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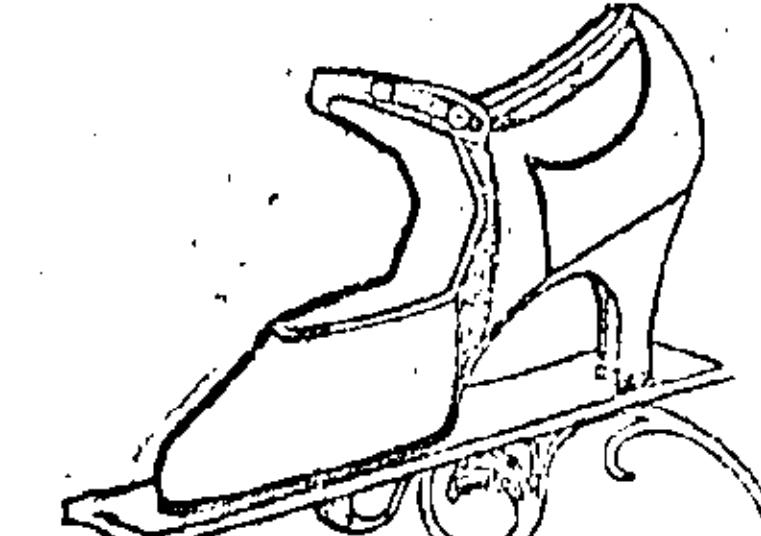
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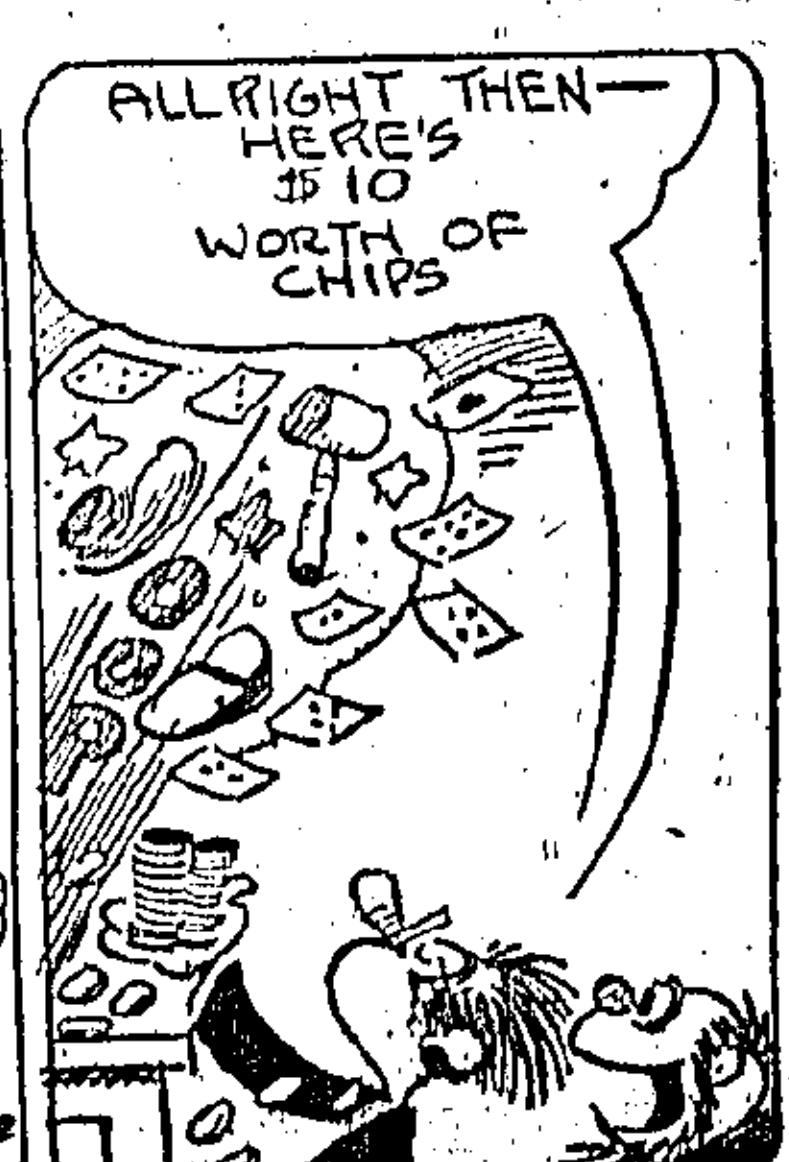
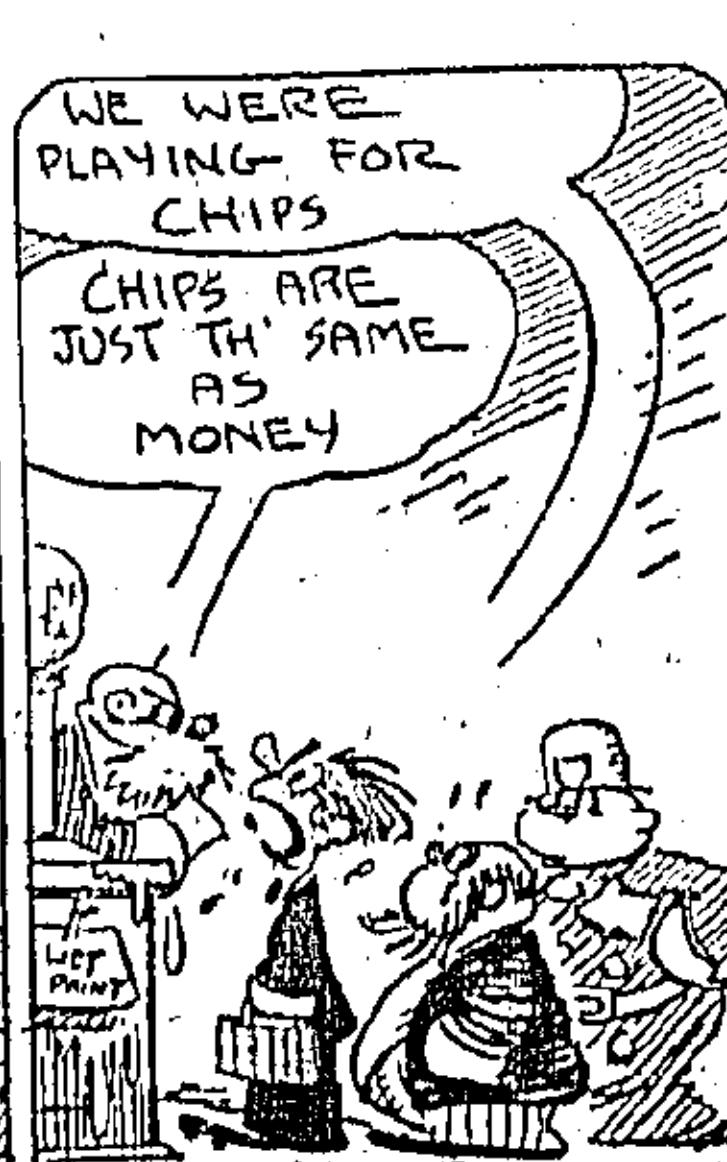
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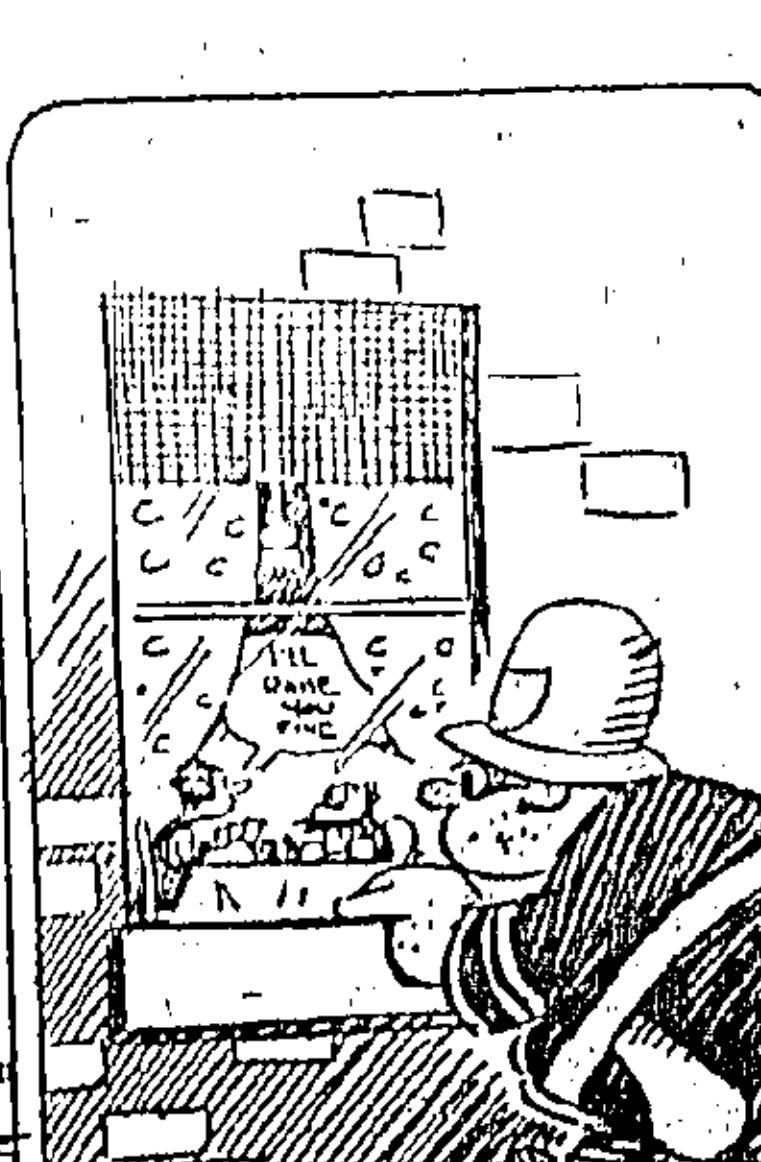
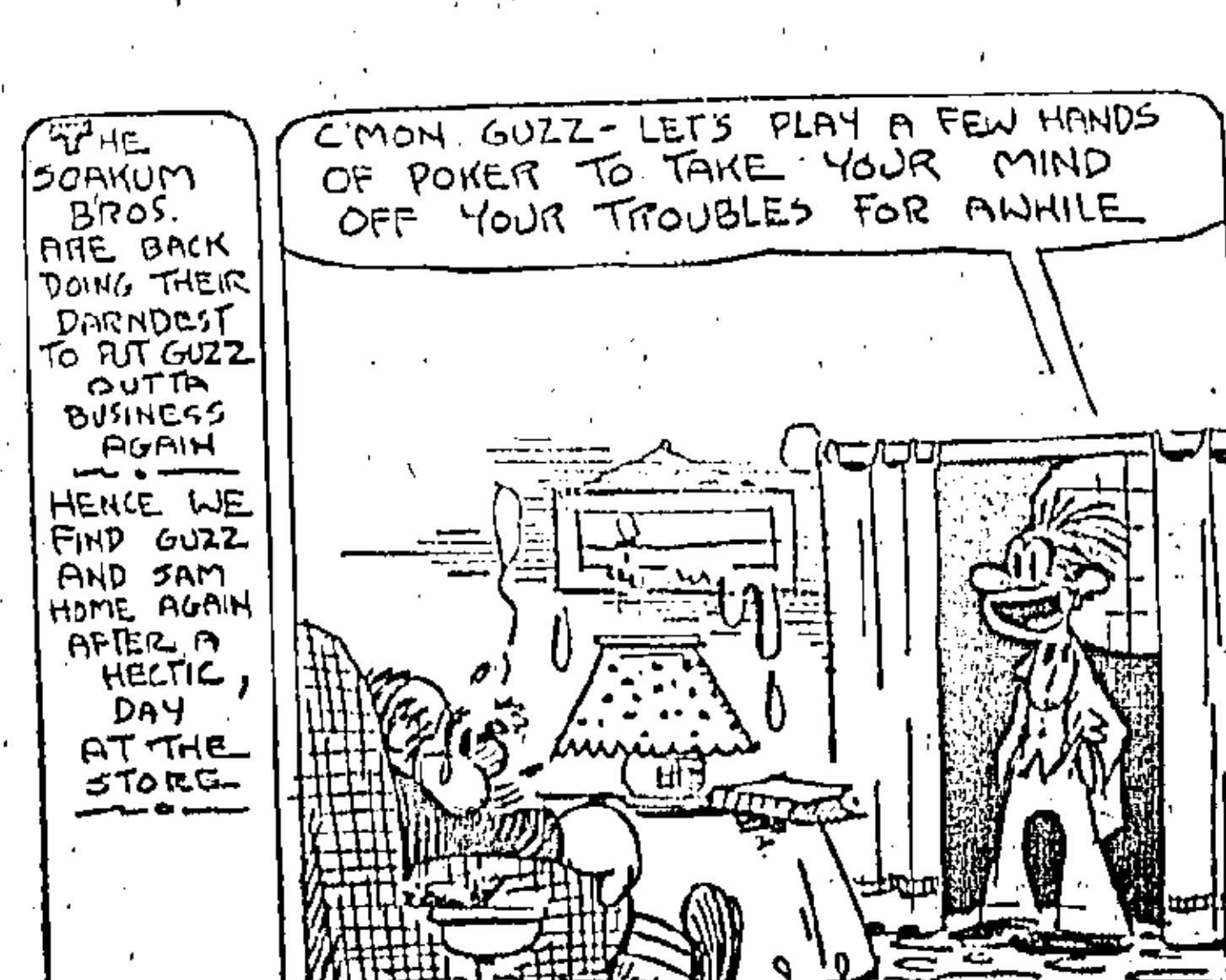
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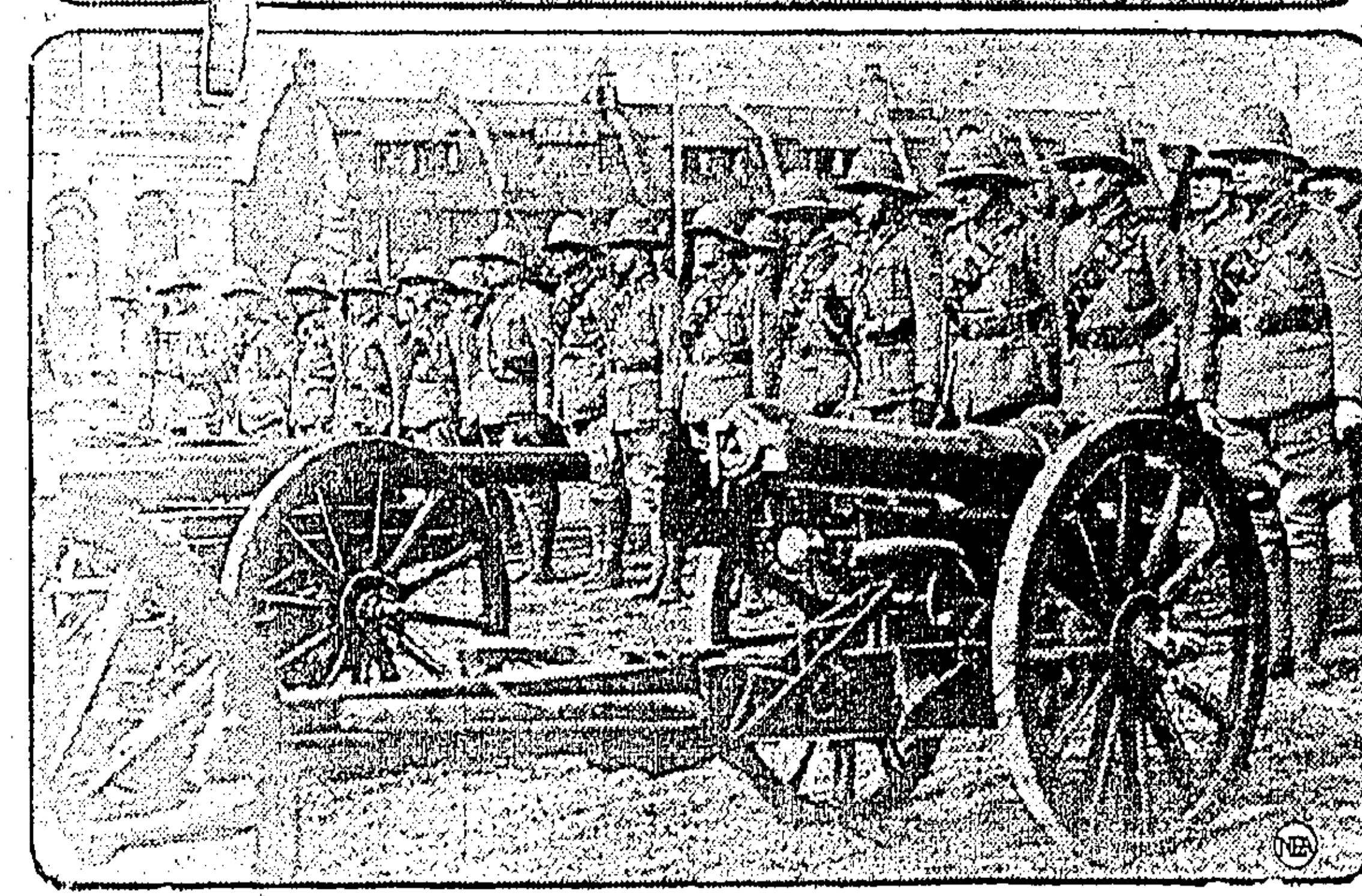
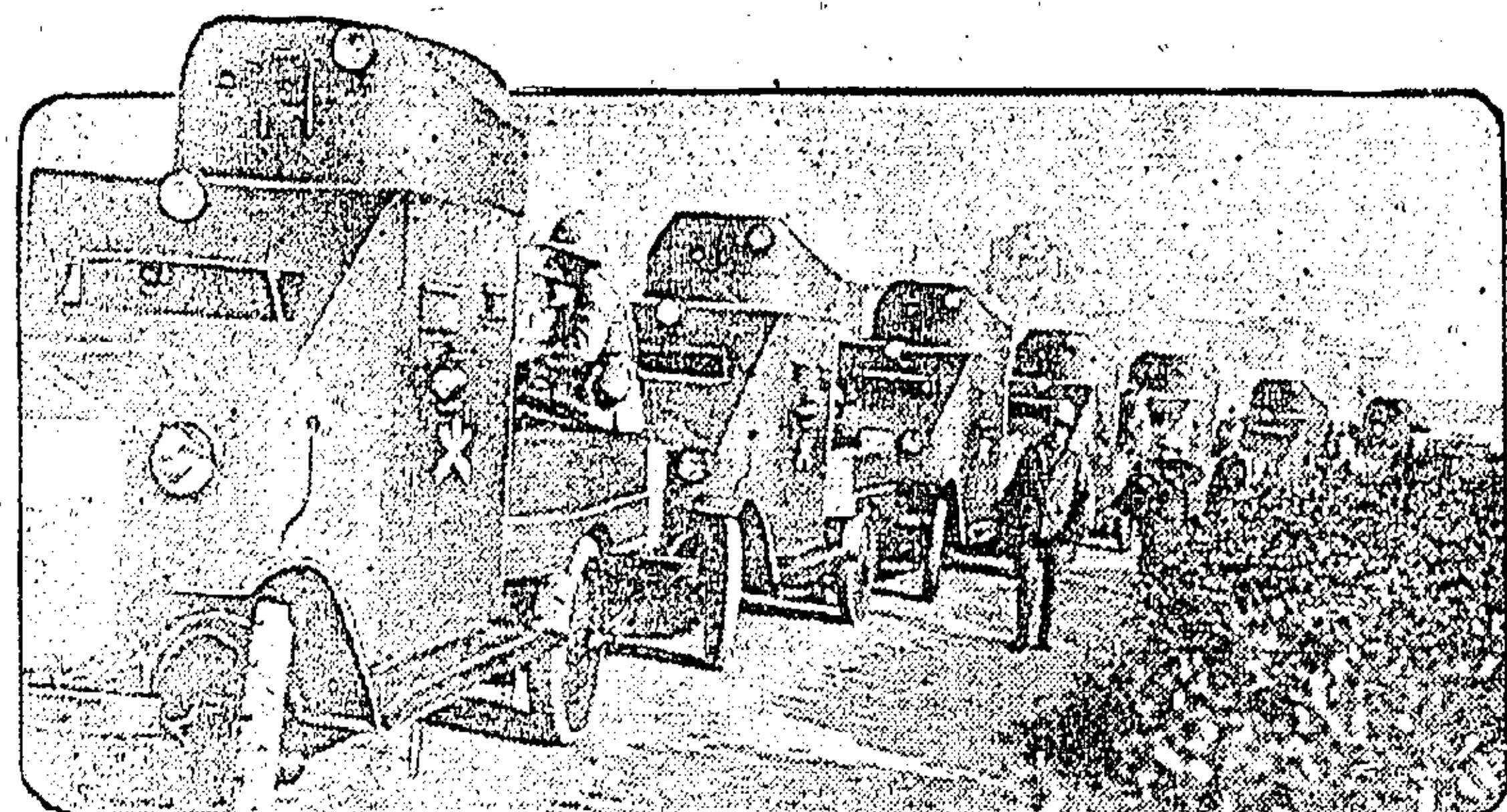


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Michael Borodin, Russian "adviser" of the Nationalist government in China, is pictured here (arrow) with a group of Russian-trained officers of the Nationalist or Cantonese army. Seated at Borodin's left is Gen. Chiang Kai-shek, the Cantonese commander-in-chief. Borodin, said to be a communist, is a powerful influence in Chinese affairs. The kidnapping of his wife by North China troops recently caused an uproar in Russia against the Peking government, which the Cantonese are fighting.



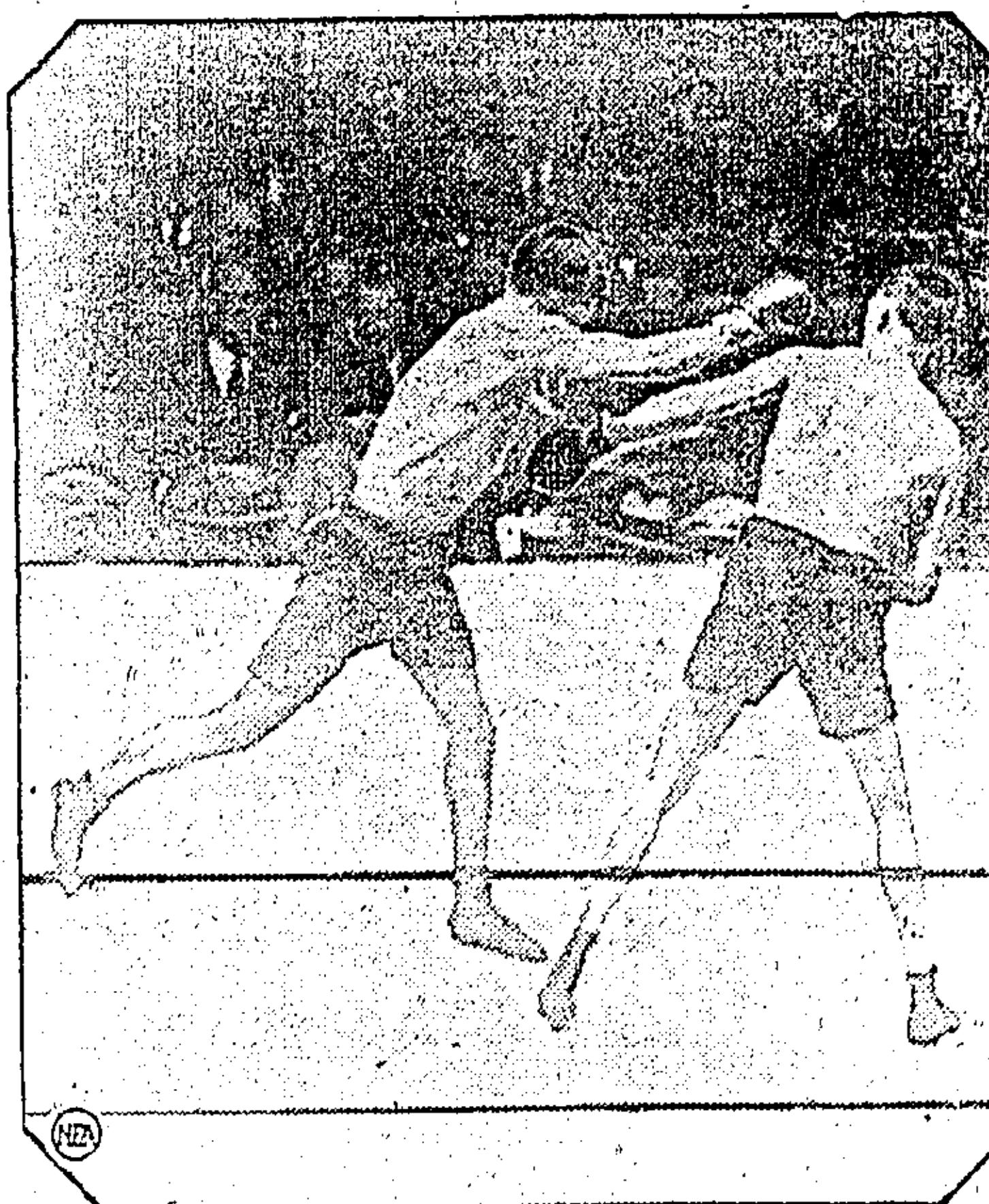
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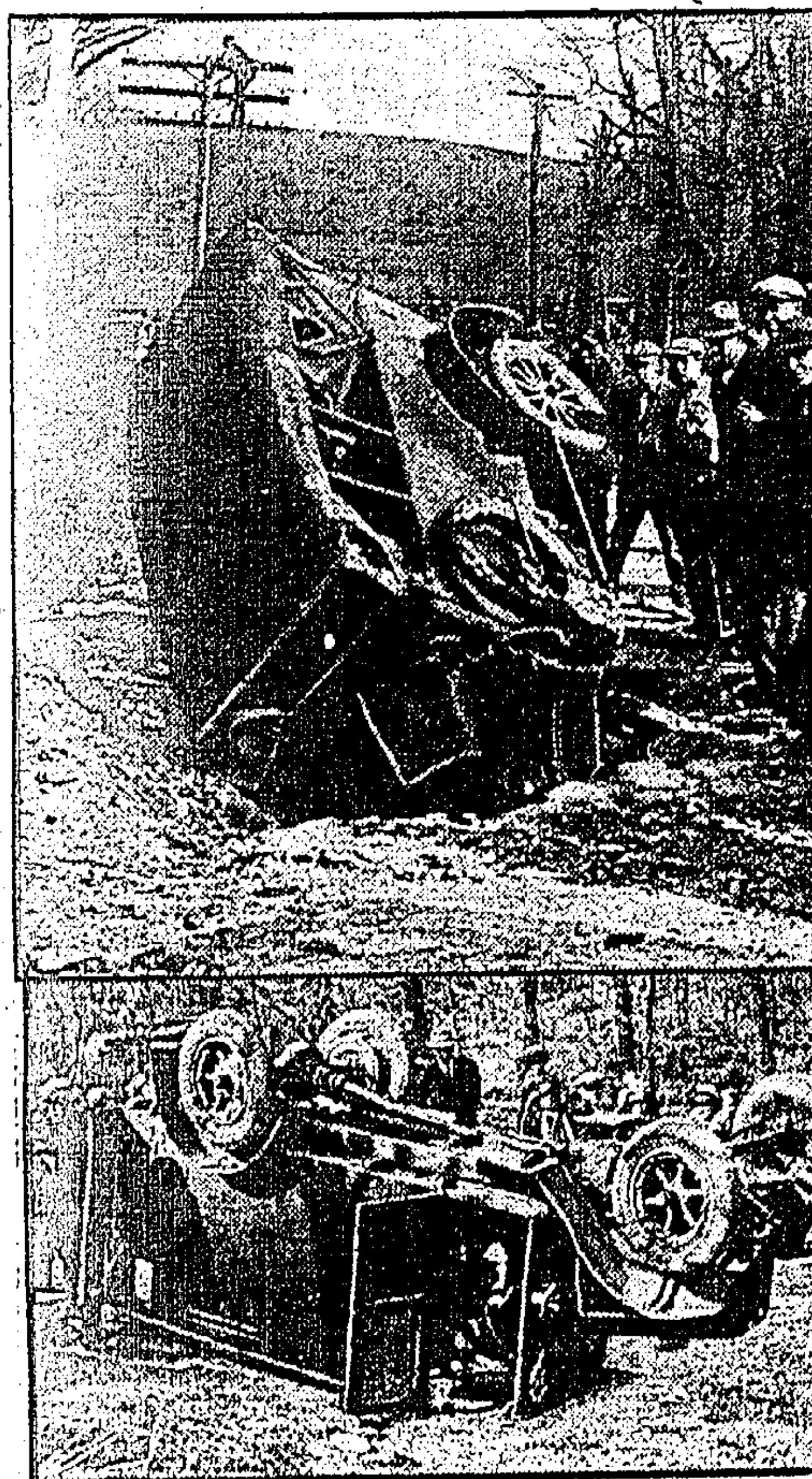
The two boys whose discovery of gold at Weopah, Nev., brought in a new "rush" of prospectors are pictured here. They are Frank Horton, Jr., 19 (left foreground), and Loonard Traynor, 19 (right). Among the thousands who have staked claims in the territory where the ore is reported to assay G\$78,000 a ton, are many women.



It was the infighting which Sharkey found most to his liking against McTigue. Here he is (left) landing a sound kidney punch on McTigue's back in the fourth.

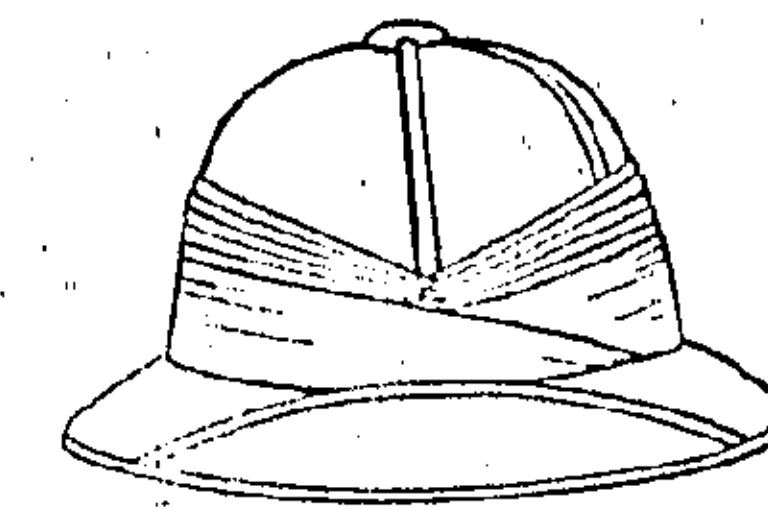


It was only by inches that Sharkey (left) missed a vicious right for McTigue's temple in the eighth. Mike stepped back out of reach and countered with a left, but he lost in the 12th round on a technical K.O.



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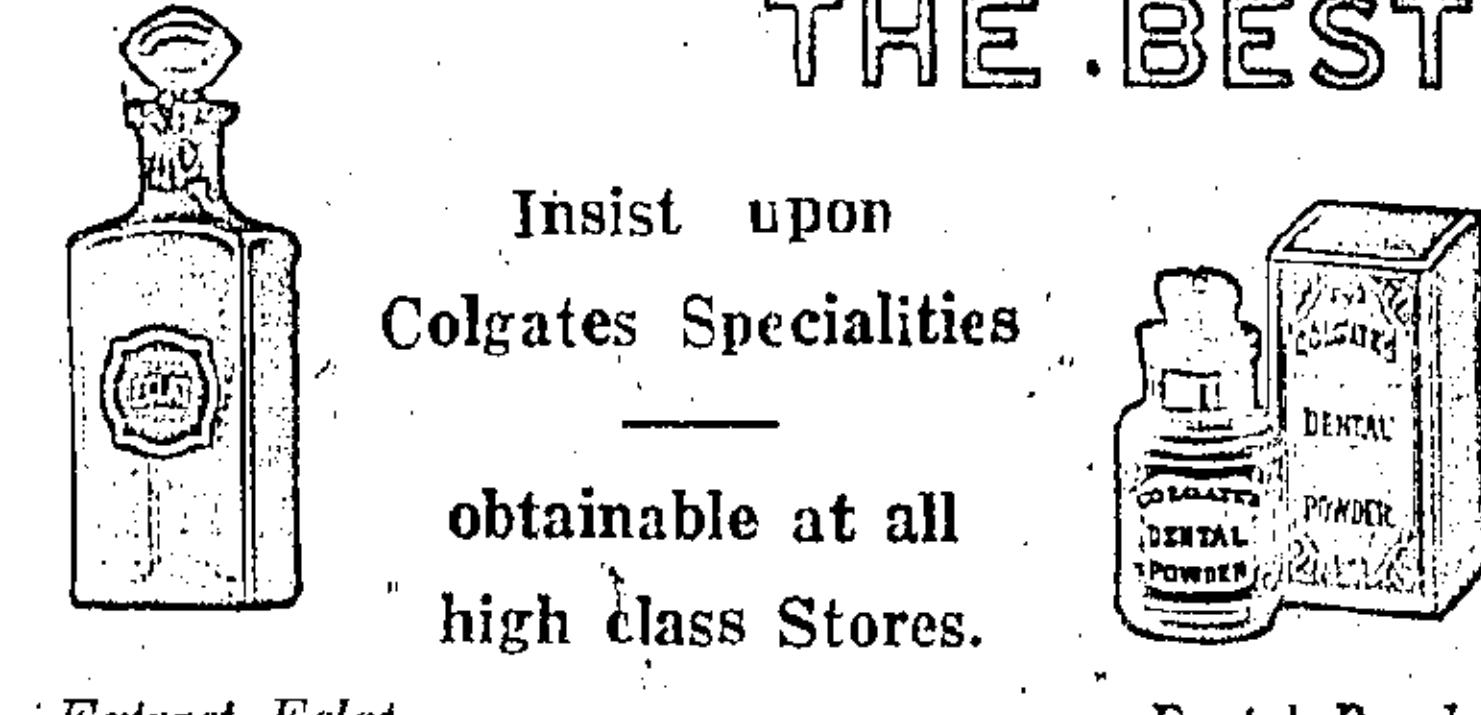
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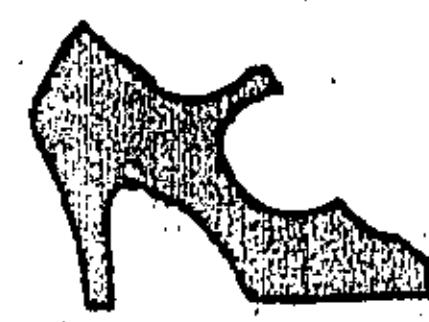
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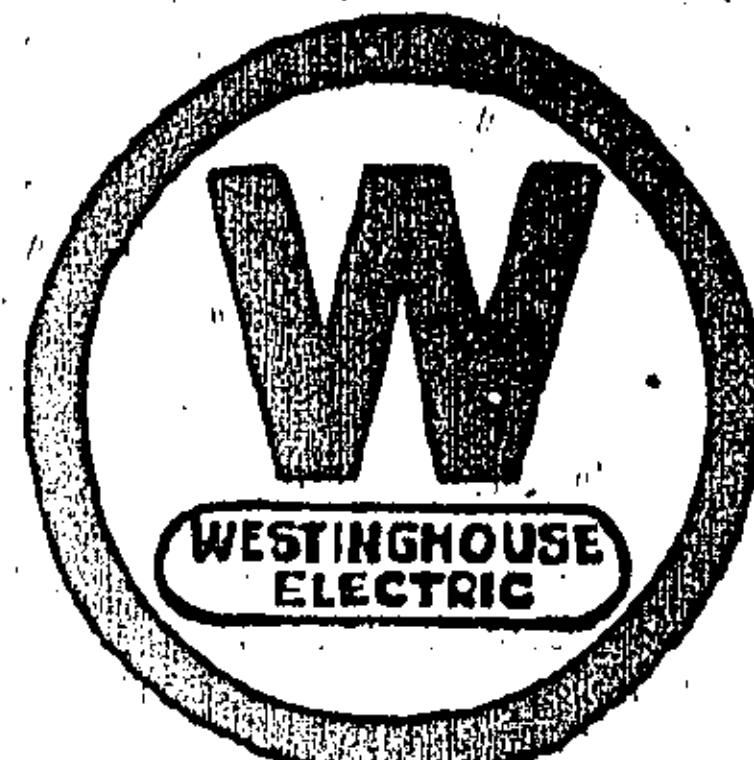
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4516 { Who.  
Sunny.

4517 { Babying You.  
Ev'ry Little Maid.

4533 { Me Too!  
The More We are Together.

4544 { In Little Garden.  
Immortelle Waltz. Sax. Solo.

4521 { Chinese Moon.  
My Carmenita.

## GOING HOME.

### WELL-KNOWN RESIDENTS RETIRING.

Among those leaving for Home to-day by the s.s. Empress of Russia is Mr. R. A. Nicholson, who for over 23 years has been in the employ of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, and who is going Home on retirement.

Of late years, Mr. Nicholson has held the responsible position of Superintendent of the Cosmopolitan Dock, in which capacity he has enjoyed the popularity of all under him.

Perhaps Mr. Nicholson is best known in this Colony by reason of his enthusiasm and success as a horticulturist, and especially as a grower of English roses. At the annual shows of the Horticultural Society he has always been a prominent exhibitor and prize winner, and many functions of the St. George's and the St. Andrew's Societies have been made all the more pleasurable because of the beautiful blooms which he supplied.

Mr. Nicholson first came into prominence here because of his rose-growing many years ago, and has ever since been a keen devotee. Not only as an exhibitor at the annual flower shows here will he be much missed, but also as one who gave all the assistance he could to the Society.

Not having enjoyed very robust health of late, Mr. Nicholson will take with him when he sails to-day not only hearty good wishes for a long and happy retirement but also the hope of many that he will speedily regain his physical strength.

Mr. J. W. Donald.

Another old and respected resident of the Colony, who is also departing for good to-day by the Empress of Russia, is Mr. J. W. Donald, of Knutsford Terrace, Kowloon.

It was in the year 1895—32 years ago—that Mr. Donald first came to Hongkong, joining Messrs. Butterfield and Swire as a marine engineer. He was promoted second engineer in August, 1896, and appointed Chief Engineer in August, 1900. For 27 years, Mr. Donald has held posts of Chief Engineer on most of the vessels controlled by Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, and for some time past has been Chief Engineer of the popular river steamer Fatsian.

As a Kowloon resident, Mr. Donald was well-known, and he takes with him on retirement the best wishes of a large circle of friends.

## ARMED ROBBERY.

### MASTER AND WIFE BOUND AND GAGGED.

An armed robbery which took place at No. 8 Yuk Ming Street, had its sequel yesterday afternoon when a man was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell with robbery with violence.

A woman said the man was a fakir in her husband's shop. He and another came to the house on the day of the robbery and gained admittance on the pretext of getting a blanket. They got her out of her bed, tied her up and stuffed an orange into her mouth.

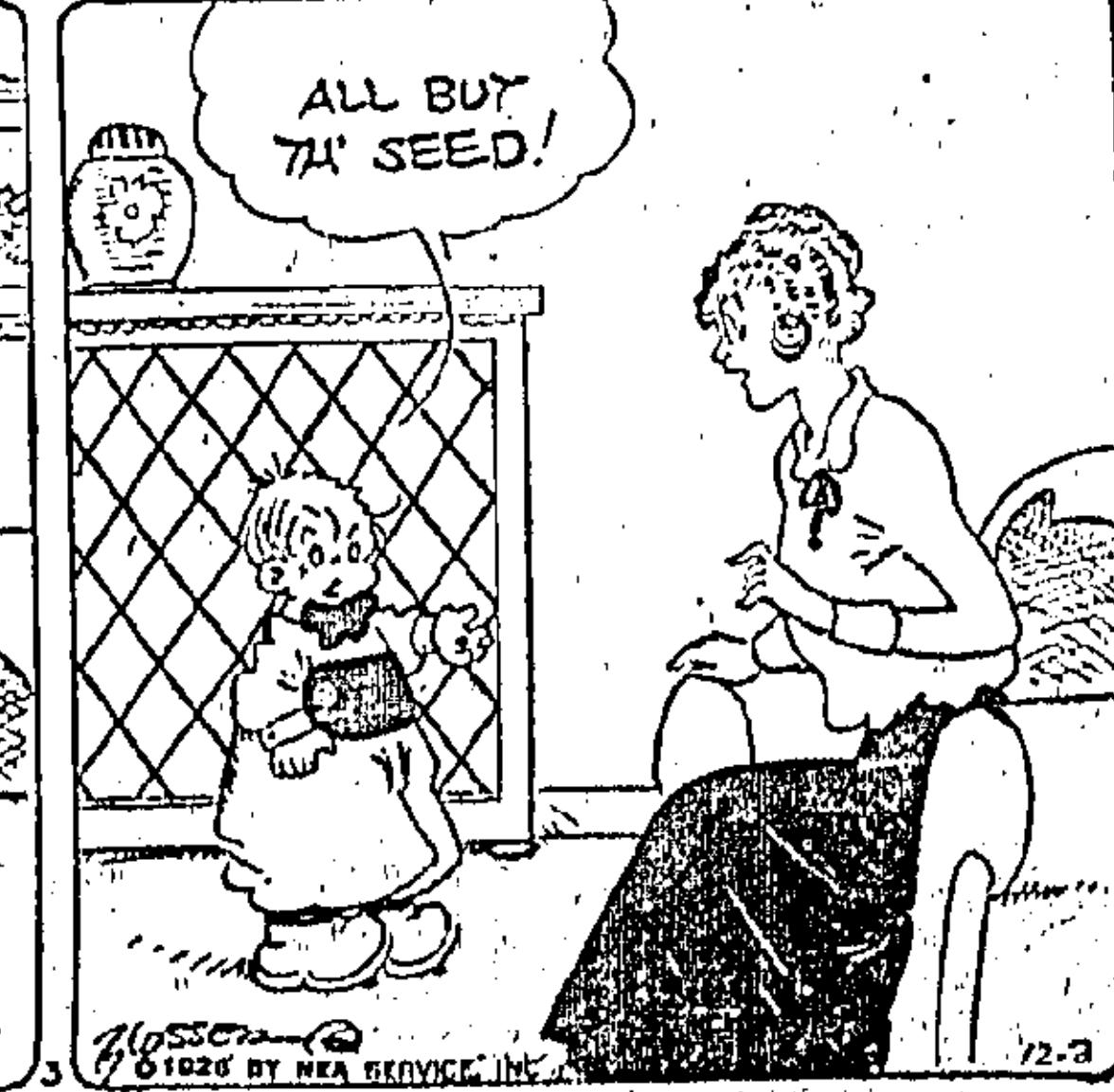
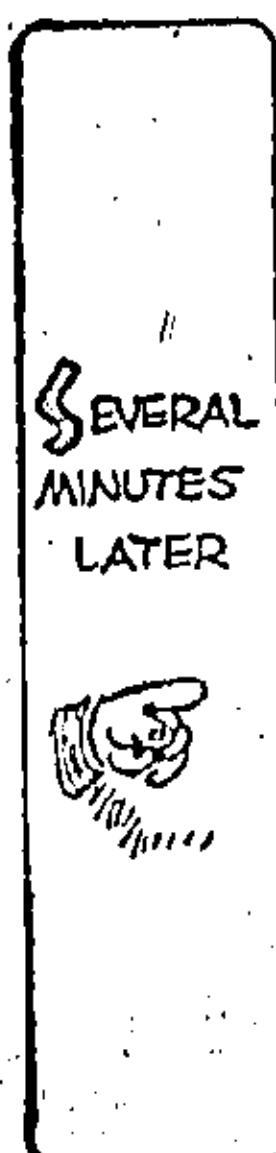
While they were doing this, the husband returned and they treated him in a similar way. One man had a knife. The husband said that about \$60 was stolen from his safe.

A rather humorous incident arose during the hearing. The witness was asked to identify the orange which was stuffed into his mouth in February last. He failed to recognize the orange, which was mouldy, withered and shrunk. The case was adjourned until Friday.

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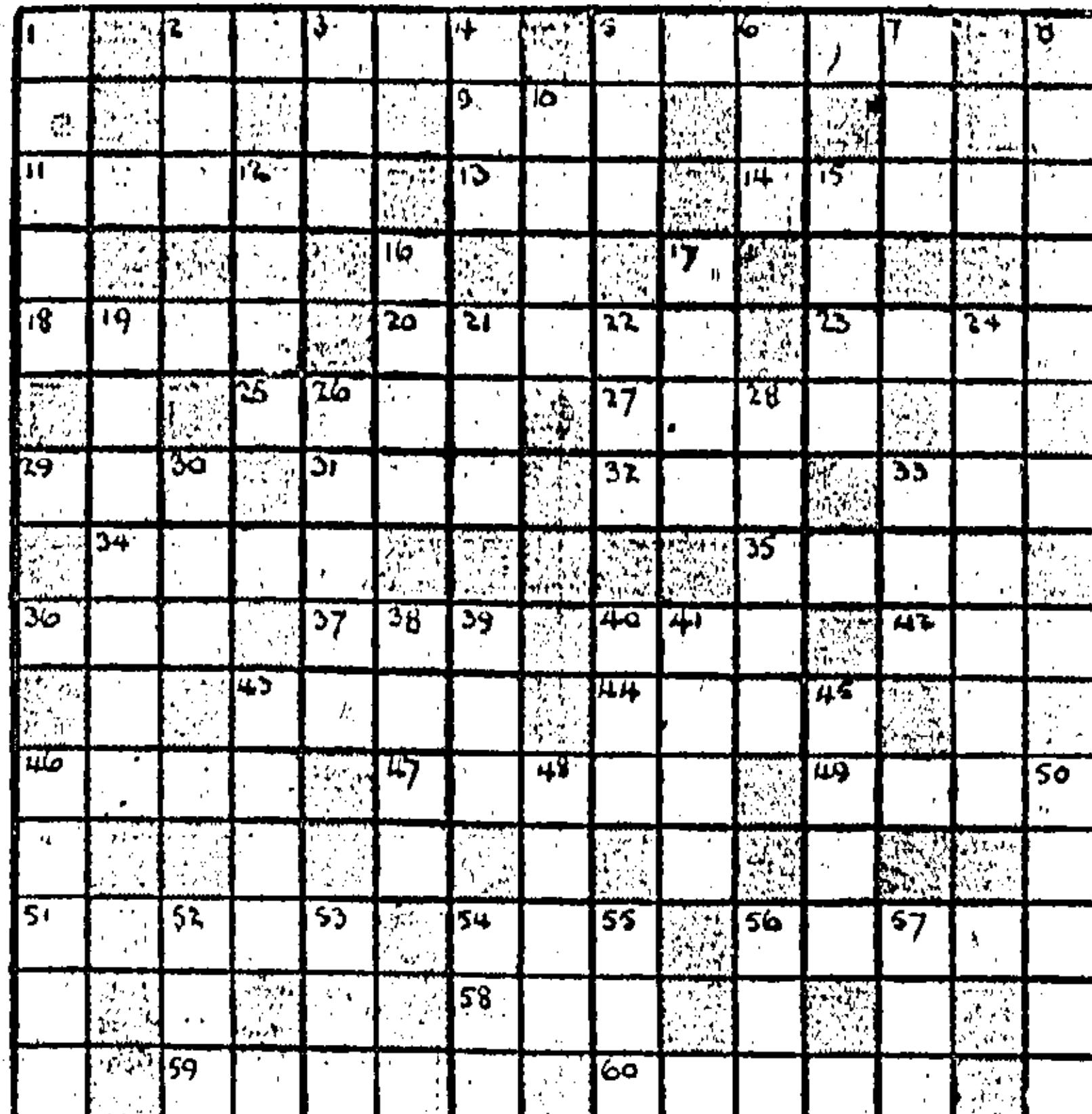
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- 9 Fastens a door.
- 10 Man of high rank.
- 11 Shines in the sky.
- 12 Is ill.
- 13 Writing utensil.
- 14 Emmet.
- 15 Point of the compass.
- 16 Frolic about.
- 17 Emporium of goods.
- 18 Rodent.
- 19 Consume.
- 20 Although (Abbr.).
- 21 Valuable white metal.
- 22 Space enclosed in boundaries.
- 23 Acustomed.
- 24 Confess.
- 25 Vegetable.
- 26 Square measure.
- 27 Cavern (Shak.).
- 28 Submit.
- 29 Single.
- 30 Inflammable substance.
- 31 Portable dwellings.
- 32 Streamlets.
- 33 State of equality.
- 34 Used in preparing varnishes.
- 35 Melancholy.
- 36 Join with stitches.
- 37 Great quantity.
- 38 Old French copper coin.
- 39 Principal axis of a machine.
- 40 Direction of the wind.
- 41 Aliments.
- 42 Leaps.

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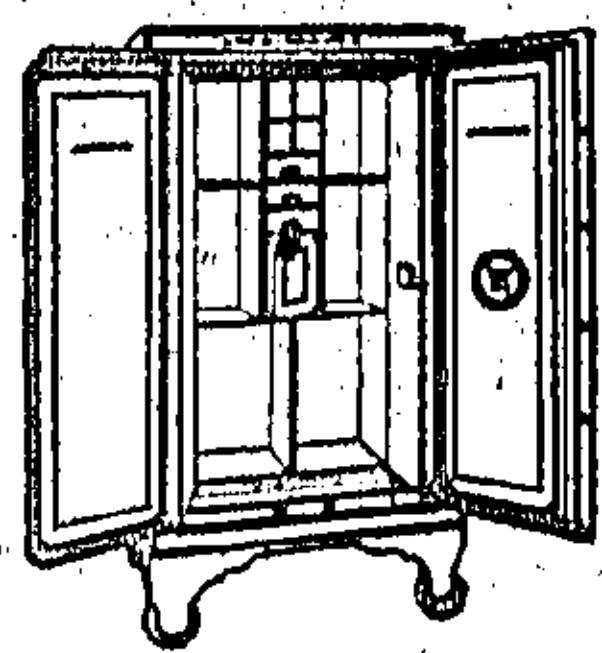
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**THE NANKING NOTE.**

If, as was foreshadowed yesterday, the Powers do agree to send a sterner Note to Mr. Eugene Chen and the Nationalist Government at Hankow relative to the Nanking outrages the action will have the unanimous support of all foreigners in China, among whom there is undoubtedly much opinion critical of the mild Notes which were sent earlier. The reply of the Hankow Government has been evasive and rightly described as "insolent" in tone; it refrained from making any attempt to answer the questions put and was tantamount to a complete disavowal of responsibility. When the reply suggested that there should be an international Commission set up to hold an enquiry into the Nanking incident, it suggested also that the testimony of the British and American Consuls and that of practically every foreign resident in Nanking was unreliable. There can be no doubt whatsoever that the excesses, outrages and murders committed at Nanking against peaceful foreigners were the acts of Nationalist soldiers, and all the enquiries in the world would have to take evidence from the witnesses who have already stated that fact. Since Mr. Eugene Chen's reply has been published, the Nationalist cause in China has suffered yet another setback in the good opinions of the world, for the reply was obviously unworthy of a Government which claims to be a responsible one.

Reuter told us yesterday that the Ministers in Peking have reached complete agreement and have addressed their opinions to their respective Governments, it being further intimated that the Powers might now send one joint Note to Hankow instead of following the original procedure of sending separate Notes. A very interesting and intriguing situation in connexion with the Powers' Note has been created by the division in the ranks of the Nationalist party, and there is much speculation regarding the *modus operandi* of the Powers in their next action. It should be noted that although copies of the former Notes were handed to the representatives of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, he being the military head of the Nationalist forces, at the same time as they were handed to Mr. Eugene Chen in Hankow, no reply of any sort has hitherto been received from

Chiang. At the moment he is in control at Nanking, the spot at which the outrages were committed, and it is to be presumed that the troops which were guilty of the excesses are still under him. Hankow might very well plead, in view of the latest developments, that it is unable to take disciplinary measures against the culprits or that it is no longer able to assume responsibility for acts committed by soldiers not under its control. In the event of the Powers being unable to get any satisfaction from Hankow, against whom will they proceed? And what will be the nature of the sanctions? These are the questions which everyone must be asking and which are no doubt causing much hard thinking among the responsible diplomats. For this reason and also because it gives promise of something being done at last to restore foreign prestige along the Yangtze, the nature of the next "stern" Note to the Hankow clique is eagerly awaited.

The Fire Brigade received a call yesterday evening to a house in Hollywood Road where a door had been set alight by the spilling of some spirits of wine. Purely nominal damage was caused.

Passengers departing for San Francisco via ports by s.s. Korea Maru, included Revd. and Mrs. T. B. McMillan, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Miller, Mr. F. A. and Mr. R. W. Crampton, Miss H. Gourdin, Dr. and Miss Bitner and Mrs. P. C. Burrows.

An incipient outbreak of fire which occurred at No. 1, Seymour Terrace, last night, was extinguished without much difficulty by the inmates and police, and the services of the firemen were not required when they arrived a few minutes later.

Failing to appear before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistrate this morning to answer a charge of unlawful possession of over 13 gallons of dutiable Chinese liquor on board her sampan, the mistress of the boat had her bail of \$250 estreated.

Mrs. Russell Brown's concert party, the "Squeakettes," gave a highly entertaining show at the "Better Ole" Y.M.C.A. Kowloon last night for the benefit of the troops. The concert was under the auspices of the entertainment committee of the Y.M.C.A. and the Lyric Orchestra also contributed to the programme.

At the resumption of the case, in which three Chinese were charged before Mr. J. R. Wood, acting Chief Justice, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday afternoon, with complicity in an armed robbery at No. 21 Bridges Street on March 12, the jury after his Lordship had summed up returned a unanimous verdict of guilty and the prisoners were each sentenced to three years hard labour.

Questioned by Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Police Court this morning with regard to the use she made of a small sum stolen from her mistress, a young servant-girl said that she spent some of it on herself; but the remainder, with the exception of \$1.80, was found and stolen by an unknown person from a basket where it was secreted. Remarking that the girl was well-treated and well-fed, his Worship expressed his surprise at her act, and he forwarded the case to the Secretary for China Affairs, after administering a warning.

**EXCHANGE RATES.**

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Berlin	20.49
Copenhagen	18.20
Vienna	34.55
Helsingfors	132
Lisbon	2/17/32
Bucharest	795
Buenos Aires	47/17/32
Shanghai	2/7/32
Yokohama	1/11/31/32
New York	434.21/32
Geneva	25.25
Milan	96.35
Stockholm	18.13
Oulu	18.73/4
Prague	164
Madrid	27.52/4
Athens	366
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Bombay	1/6.27/32
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Property situated at Pokfulum Road, known as Inland Lot No. 2,062, was put up for auction in connexion with Sir Joseph Duvene's national scheme to assist British artists at the Leeds Municipal Art Gallery on March 18.

Mr. Augustus John, A. R. A., opened the first exhibition in connexion with Sir Joseph Duvene's national scheme to assist British artists at the Leeds Municipal Art Gallery on March 18.

It is a film well above the average.

**DAY BY DAY.**

DO YOU WISH TO FIND OUT A PERSON'S WEAK POINTS? NOTE THE FAILING HE HAS THE QUICKEST EYE FOR IN OTHERS.—A. J. C. Hart.

The annual meeting of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce will be held on Thursday, April 28, in the City Hall.

The weather forecast issued by the Royal Observatory, up till noon to-morrow is: "South winds, moderate; generally overcast, fog."

This morning's Harbour Office Reports give 11 arrivals and 18 departures, of which three and six respectively were British, leaving 30 British vessels in harbour of a total of 71.

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At the resumption of the case, in which three Chinese were charged before Mr. J. R. Wood, acting Chief Justice, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday afternoon, with complicity in an armed robbery at No. 21 Bridges Street on March 12, the jury after his Lordship had summed up returned a unanimous verdict of guilty and the prisoners were each sentenced to three years hard labour.

Questioned by Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Police Court this morning with regard to the use she made of a small sum stolen from her mistress, a young servant-girl said that she spent some of it on herself; but the remainder, with the exception of \$1.80, was found and stolen by an unknown person from a basket where it was secreted. Remarking that the girl was well-treated and well-fed, his Worship expressed his surprise at her act, and he forwarded the case to the Secretary for China Affairs, after administering a warning.

**THE QUEEN'S.****EXCELLENT COMEDY FILM.**

The current programme at the Queen's Theatre is a decidedly good one, the main film "Poker Faces" being an extremely clever and well-acted comedy.

It tells how the young husband (Edward Horton) hides from his wife (Laura La Plante) the fear that he is going to be dismissed from his firm and how his supposed "meanness" in not consenting to buy a new and much needed rug leads to a "scene"—the beginning of many clever misunderstandings which involve the husband in keeping up a make-believe. There is plenty of incident throughout the film, and lots of really funny situations, all handled with drollery and cleverness by the poker-faced husband. Mr. Edward Horton scores a triumph in the role, and Laura La Plante adds further to her already high reputation.

It is a film well above the average.

Mr. Augustus John, A. R. A., opened the first exhibition in connexion with Sir Joseph Duvene's national scheme to assist British artists at the Leeds Municipal Art Gallery on March 18.

It is a film well above the average.

**FAMOUS IRONWORKS.****A HANKOW PLAN TO TAKE OVER.**

Railway economics and rapid development of communications will be facilitated greatly by the plan, now being discussed, to take over control of the Hanyueping iron works, according to the officials in the Ministry of Communications, at Hankow.

These famous iron works are under Japanese control, no less than Yen 20,000,000 having been invested in the development of the works.

In an interview with the Hankow officials, it was pointed out how effectively the taking over and reorganizing of this potentially profitable industry by the Chinese would aid railway development.

The three interrelated factors in the industry, the iron works at Hanyang, the iron ore plant at Tayeh and the coal mines at Pinghsien could, if organized properly, supply the railways with much-needed rails at an enormous saving over the present cost of foreign rails, it was stated. It would solve many of the problems on the Yuch-Han line and help in the solution of problems on the Kin-Han line.

**Coal Supply.**

The coal mines could supply all the coal needed for the Yuch-Han, it was pointed out, and part of the necessary coal for the Kin-Han.

Another great economy could be put into effect upon the capture of Chengchow, it was stated. Mines that would then be accessible for coal on the Kin-Han would reduce the cost from the \$17.40 a ton that is now being paid to \$7.

The iron works at Hanyang, after the reorganization, could turn out enough rails to supply China's roads, it was stated. For the past few years, conditions in the works have been unsatisfactory, the plant being closed for much of the time, due to the demands of military generals in charge of the district, difficulty in getting equipment, materials and difficulties of management.

**NEWSPAPER FINED.****FOR PUBLISHING LOTTERY RESULT.**

A representative of the Hongkong Chinese newspaper, *Man Po*, appeared this morning before Mr. R. E. Lindsell for publishing the result of a *Po Piu Lottery*.

Sub-Inspector Shafain, of the S.C.A., who prosecuted said, that the publication referred to a local lottery, but Mr. G. R. Haywood, for the defence, submitted that it was the result of a drawing which took place in Macau.

Mr. Haywood pleaded guilty and said that the publication simply gave the winning ticket numbers—information which the *Morning Post* and *Daily Press* give every day."

His Worship: "Not every day?"

Mr. Haywood: "Well, after every Race Meeting at least. The reason why this accident happened was because the advertising editor was away and somebody took his place and did not properly check up the different advertisements. My client, of course, is responsible, but seeing that the editor is away he should be treated leniently."

Mr. Lindsell: I do not remember a case of this sort coming up before.

Sub-Inspector Shafain: I have been instructed to ask your Worship, if a conviction is registered, to impose a nominal fine. A fine of \$10 was imposed.

**JAPAN'S CABINET.****PROBABLE NEW MINISTRY.**

Tokyo, Apr. 10. The probable new Japanese Cabinet is as follows:

Premier and Foreign Minister, Baron Gichi Tanaka.  
Minister for Home Affairs, Dr. Kisaburo Suzuki.  
Minister of Finance, Mr. Korekiyo Takahashi.  
Minister for War, Lt. General Katsusuke Tsuno.  
Minister for the Navy, Admiral Keisuke Okada.  
Minister of Justice, Mr. Yoshiyuki Hara.  
Minister of Education, Mr. Chuzo Mitsuhi.  
Minister of Agriculture and Forestry, Mr. Teijiro Yamamoto.  
Minister of Commerce and Industry, Mr. Tokugoro Nakahashi.  
Minister of Communications, Mr. Kenzoku Mochizuki.  
Minister of Railways, Mr. Heikichi Ogawa.  
Chief Cabinet Secretary, Mr. Ichiro Hayashita.  
Chief of the Legislation Bureau, Dr. Joji Matsumoto.

Arrangements made for the summer months for the convenience of the members of the Hongkong Dance Club were outlined by the organiser, Mr. R. A. Lofek at the second dance of the Club held at Lane, Crawford's Restaurant last night.

Addressing the gathering, Mr. Lofek said that during the hot weather members would be accommodated on board a specially fitted out boat, which would probably tour the waters of the Colony with dancing en route.

*The Very Idea!*

An old London navy met with a slight accident, and it was thought advisable that he should be detained in hospital. His wife had to be written to, and the navy couldn't write, so somebody volunteered to act as secretary.

"What shall I say?" he asked. "How shall I begin? 'My dear wife'—will that be all right for a start?"

The old man grinned grimly. "Yes; put that down," he said; "that'll anuso her!"

It gives me a pain. Until I'm giddy. To their parents call Their offspring kiddle.

Mr. Baldwin, in his speech to the English-Speaking Union, referred to our latest importation from America—"a dance with a strange and racy name which I cannot call upon myself to pronounce." "Racy" enough: but the race is the Negro.

Young man accused at Old-street of disorderly behaviour: I was standing up for a cripple. Mr. Cairns, magistrate: If that is so, instead of convicting you I congratulate you, and you may go.

Willesden man: I wish to thank the policeman for taking care of me when I was drunk. Magistrate: That is all right so long as you do not offer him a tip.

Magistrate at Willesden: The defendant is described as "sandwich cutter" at the Stock Exchange"; that ought to be a remunerative occupation.

Tramcar conductor at Lambeth: I conducted myself in a conducting manner. Mr. Rooth, the magistrate: How is that? Conductor: By not being offensive.

A correspondent sends the *Observer* a protest against some recent tendencies in journalism with which it is possible to confess a good deal of sympathy. "Every newspaper," he says, "knows its own readers, but perhaps the vogue of simplicity can be carried too far. Of recent years a habit has grown up of superfluous and irritating illustrations. There are papers that cannot report a storm without giving you a picture of a flash of lightning; or a cliff accident without a gesticulating figure in mid-air; or (as the other day) a comet without showing a man looking through a telescope."

A small boy was taken to church for the first time.

He sat very still until the surpiced choir entered, when he turned to his mother and asked in an awed whisper, "Mummie, are they all going to have their hair cut?"

Five children take a lot of feeding in these days.—Judge Tobin.

Blackmail is assassination of the mind.—Sir Ernest Wild, K.C. England possesses the most democratic monarchy.—Mr. Ben Tillett.

## SCHOOL BURGLARY.

## STUDENTS' CLOTHING STOLEN.

The recent burglary at the Diocesan Boys' School, had a sequel at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, when two Chinese were charged before Mr. W. Schofield with breaking into the school between the hours of 11 p.m. and 5 a.m. on Sunday and stealing a number of articles of clothing to the value of about \$50, the property of T. Edwards, N. Stratmoor and G. Waller, students of the school.

The first defendant was, in addition, charged with returning from banishment.

On the application of Sergeant Kennedy, the hearing of the case was fixed for next Tuesday.

## Students Make Capture.

Sunday night's burglary at the Diocesan Boys' School has kept the students on the alert for any who may be found loitering about the grounds adjoining the school.

The movements of a Chinese, who was seen wandering about near the school at 3 p.m. yesterday, were closely watched by T. Edwards and N. Stratmoor. The man was seen to leave the grounds and about an hour later he returned with a bamboo pole, to which an iron hook was attached.

He was immediately arrested by the two students and on being charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning with having in his possession the instrument with intent to use it for an unlawful purpose, he frankly told the magistrate that he had the stick to enable him to steal. The defendant was also charged with returning from banishment, which charge he admitted. On the first count he was sentenced to two months' hard labour with a further eight months on the charge of returning from banishment.

## THE TJILEBOET.

## HOPES OF REFLOATING.

It is learned from the local agents of the J.C.I.L. that the favourable weather has allowed of salvage operations on the Tjileboet being continued. No. 2 hold has now been patched and it is hoped that the vessel will be refloated either to-day or at high tide tomorrow.

## ALLEGED BRIBERY.

## CHINESE WOMAN CHARGED.

An elderly Chinese woman, of No. 126, Reclamation Street, Yau Ma Tei, appeared before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy on a charge of offering a bribe of \$20 to Sub-Inspector Chevalier.

The defendant, who was represented by Mr. F. H. Losby, was arrested on a charge of keeping an illegal house. It was alleged by the prosecution that the defendant, on her way to the Police Station, offered Sub-Inspector Chevalier \$20 to release her.

On the charge of keeping an unregistered house, sentence of four weeks' hard labour was imposed while the hearing on the other count was adjourned till Friday.

## ROBBED IN POST OFFICE.

## LADY'S HANDBAG VANISHES.

Miss S. C. Law, a resident of Cheungchau, has been robbed of a handbag which contained, among other things, a cheque book and some money, amounting to over \$10.

Miss Law went into the General Post Office yesterday to post a letter, and while her attention was thus occupied, the handbag, which she left on the counter near her, was spirited away.

A search for the probable thief was without result, and Miss Law has reported her loss to the police.

## "ORIENTAL TRAVELOGUE."

## AMERICAN EXPRESS GUIDE.

The American Express Company some time back introduced a popular feature in their illustrated "Oriental Travologue," a quarterly magazine devoted to the interests of the traveller, in what-ever part of the world.

The fourth issue, for Spring 1927, is just to hand, and contains a number of very interesting articles, in addition to steamship routes, railway time-tables, and other items of guidance to travellers. The contributions refer particularly to Shanghai, Japan, and the Japanese, Singapore, and Canada, and carry several excellent photographic reproductions of views in the places named.

## NO "TAKING BACK"

## RIGHTS OF SHANGHAI RE-STATE.

## SOME MUNICIPAL PROBLEMS.

In view of the great interest attaching to this year's annual meeting of the ratepayers of Shanghai, the following leading article on the subject, taken from *N. C. Daily News*, will be found enlightening:

"Not often do the formal speeches at ratepayers' meetings attract special attention. But undoubtedly the feature of the afternoon was Mr. Fessenden's masterly survey of the recent political situation and his clear-cut and unanswerable statement of the constitutional rights of Shanghai. It is a speech which all should read again and put on file for future reference; and we may further hope that it will go abroad to be pondered over by those who seem equally ill-informed as to the nature of those rights and lightly disposed to give them away. One advantage at least of the crisis through which we are passing is that it has led men to think over the circumstances in which Shanghai came into existence, the peculiarity of its position and the conditions under which alone its status could legally be altered.

To say that those conditions are as yet miles from being realized is to state an unassailable fact. There is no question of prejudice in the matter, of whether we do or do not sympathize with the aims of Nationalism, but simply that Nationalism represents only one party in a country split up into many and almost hopelessly involved in civil war; and one party cannot claim any right to assault what a united China and several foreign Governments agreed to create.

## Glib Talk.

"It may, perhaps, be added that Shanghai is in no sense a concession, extracted by force of arms or received as a free gift. A certain area, it is true, was defined by the Chinese Government within which foreigners should manage their own affairs. But the land they obtained was bought by them, at pretty high rates too, and the land tax they pay to the Chinese Government is proof of it as is also the existence within Settlement limits of parcels of land owned by Chinese from generations before the foreigner appeared. This is an essential point to bear in mind in view of the glib way in which the Nationalists talk of "taking back" Shanghai. They might conceivably seize it by force of arms or persuade the Powers, supposing all the latter suddenly went mad, to give it to them. But they cannot "take back" what they never possessed and have had no hand in creating.

## Chinese in Parks.

"Mr. Trentham Davis's amendment, itself slightly amended by his consent to an additional sentence that kept the final say in ratepayers' hands, saved the situation with regard to Chinese in the parks. The rider insisting that it must be left to the community to decide when times are propitious for throwing open the parks implied, of course, no lack of trust in the Council. It simply meant that they wished to keep the decision on what is really a major question of policy in their own control.

Equally there was no desire to hurt the feelings of friendly Chinese in Shanghai. By their resolution as amended the ratepayers approved in principle the idea of opening the parks to Chinese but said emphatically that the present moment is not propitious for such a departure. Nor is it. An unfortunate spirit is abroad which twists every friendly overture into an act of surrender and that spirit has further expressed itself in utterly indefensible confiscation and spoliation of properties lawfully owned by foreigners. No Chinese who reads the article we publish elsewhere to-day on the mission properties, literally numbered by hundreds now, which the Nationalists have seized and wrecked or appropriated to their own use, can affect to be surprised at yesterday's vote.

## Orchestra's Future.

"The orchestral debate afforded the light relief of the afternoon. A good deal of dexterity and appealing to practical business sense on the attacking side, any amount of the soft pedal and *voix humaine* on the defending, and the community were wheeled into letting the orchestra be. As a matter of fact we do not think they needed wheeling. When all is said and done the foreign community are proud of the orchestra as well they may be. It is an unanswerable reply to accusations that the Shanghai man is concerned only with money-grubbing or, for lighter hours, "a jig or tale of bawdry else he sleeps." And even "the man that hath not music in his soul" recognizes that the or-

## HUSBAND AND WIFE.

## VIOLINIST SUED FOR MAINTENANCE.

A summons to secure the custody of three children and also maintenance, was proceeded with against Y. M. Decanay by his wife, before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. The complainant was represented by Mr. J. T. Prior.

Opening his case, Mr. Prior said Mr. and Mrs. Decanay came to Hongkong from Manila in June last year and stayed with a friend. Certain unhappiness arose between the couple and, although the husband was employed as violinist at the Queen's Theatre at a reasonable salary, he refused to give his wife proper maintenance.

He allowed her \$1 every other day for food for herself and their three children. Mr. Prior submitted that \$16 per month was by no means sufficient for such a large family.

Shortly after their arrival in Hongkong the husband stayed in another flat, taking the children with him. The wife was refused access, and later, when Decanay obtained a job on the Empress of Russia, he left his children in the charge of the friend with whom he had stayed. He promised to repay this friend for the children's upkeep.

He returned after four months' but refused to have anything to do with his wife accusing her of being unfaithful.

He had also failed to pay for the maintenance of the children while he was away.

The case was adjourned.

## REMARKABLE COURT CASE.

## "UNFAIR YOU SHOULD GO TO PRISON."

Income-tax frauds totalling £1,173 were the subject of a prosecution at the Central Criminal Court, London, when John Francis Radford (50) was charged with making false returns on behalf of his firm and himself. He pleaded guilty.

Sir Travers Humphreys, for the prosecution, said accused was formerly in partnership with Mr. Nathan Fisher, costumiers, of Great Portland Street. Investigations by the Inland Revenue Department had disclosed that by means of falsifying their books of account Radford and his partner, in their returns for Income tax, had avoided payments of tax amounting to £1,173 during the three years before 1921. In one year, chiefly by entering fictitious purchases in their books, their profits were returned at £18,000, when in fact they were £1190. "Death is Not the Punishment."

The accused's partner had also been charged with the frauds, but two medical certificates were submitted stating that he was suffering from angina pectoris, and that a prosecution would prove dangerous to his life.

As death is not the punishment for evading Income-tax, said Sir Travers, the authorities decided that they ought to withdraw the prosecution against Fisher, who paid to the Inland Revenue a sum of £2,400 in respect of the frauds.

Counsel for the accused argued that his client formerly carried on by himself a small business in an industrious way. After the partnership Fisher became the master and director, and exercised the guiding influence.

During the war Fisher robbed Radford by concealing the profits of the business, and it was not justice that Radford should stand in the dock alone.

Mr. H. D. Roome, who held a watching brief for Fisher, contested the statements of Mr. Vos, and denied that Fisher was the more guilty of the two.

Mr. Justice Branson, addressing the prisoner, said:—You have pleaded guilty to frauds which are serious and which, continuing for some time, involved a great deal of deliberation.

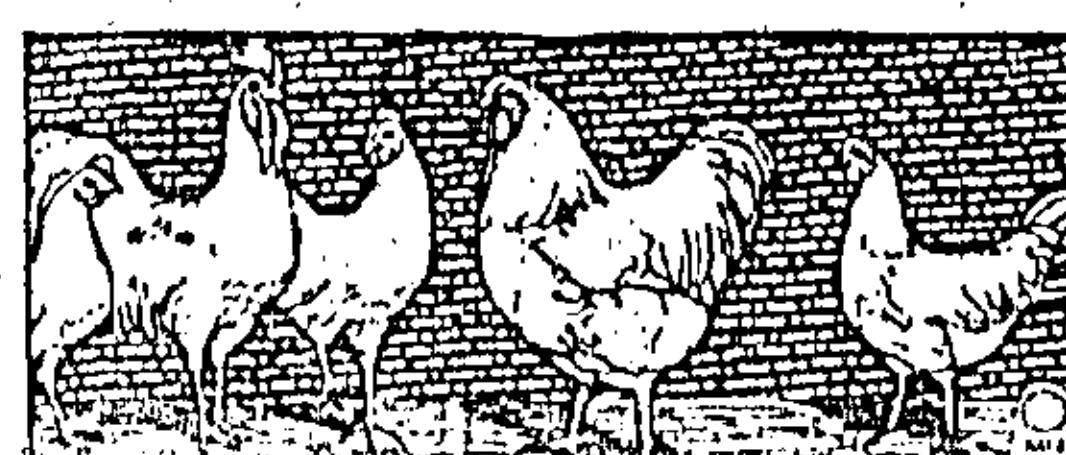
The best thing that has been said in your favour is that Fisher, who is at least as guilty as you, cannot stand in the dock beside you.

I think it is unfair that you should go to prison when I cannot send him, and on this ground alone I shall simply bind you over.

chestra has a definite contribution to make to the life of the community, in which respect the delightful children's concerts recently inaugurated are no mean part. Also it might be suggested that the Sunday average attendance does not represent a compact body of so many hundred devotees going Sunday after Sunday but a floating population. So that the appeal of the orchestra, not forgetting the summer evening concerts (of which no mention was made), is far wider than it might seem to be when tested by averages. But figures can be made to do anything, even to the demonstrating of economies which have no real existence.

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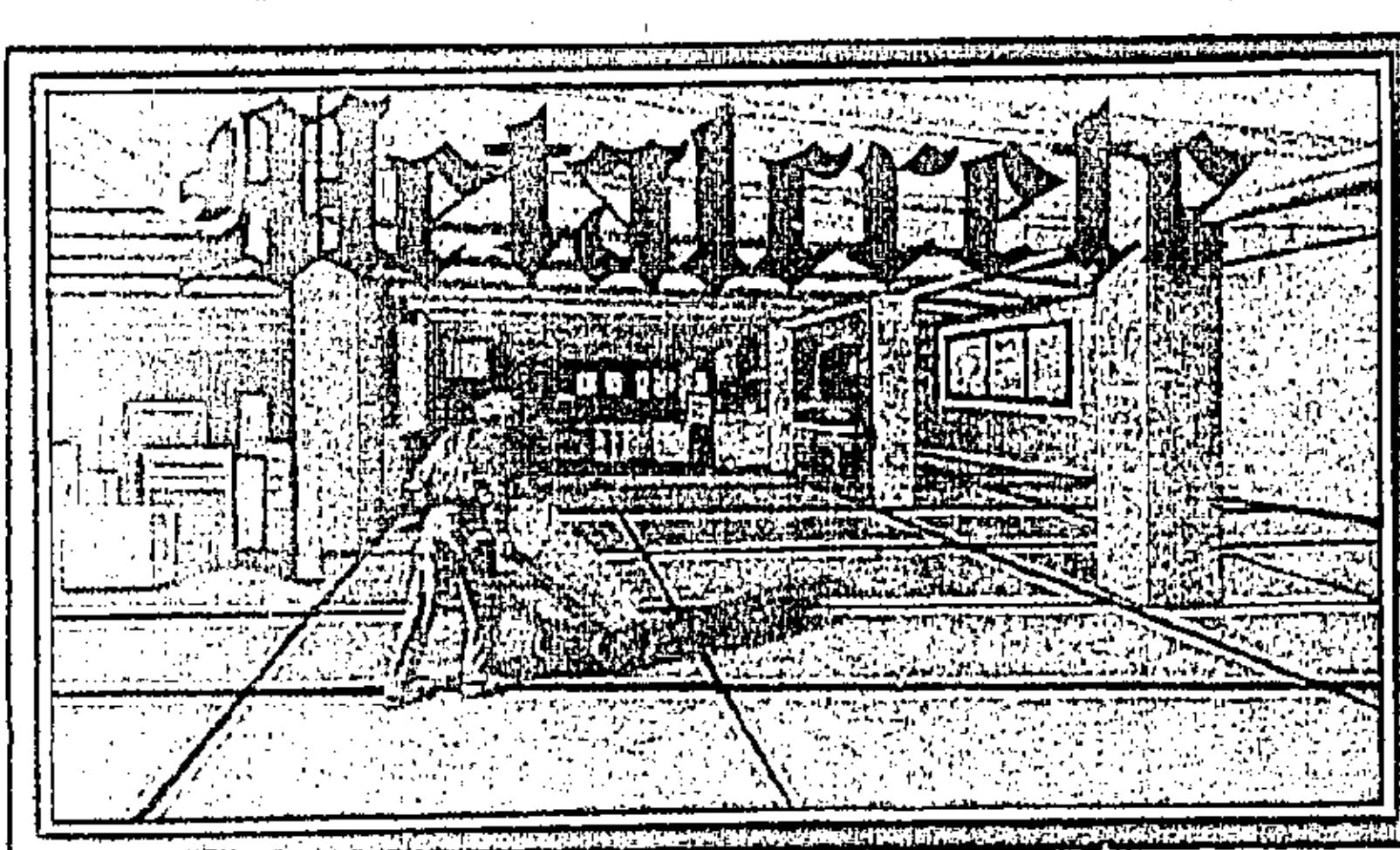
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"Almost no progress seems to have been made" is the unhappy state of affairs in regard to "sleepy sickness" and infantile paralysis recorded in the report of the Medical Research Council.

In a section dealing with the difficulties which have to be faced regarding diseases caused by filter-passing viruses, it is stated, "in some diseases in this group, for instance, encephalitis lethargica ('sleepy sickness') and poliomyelitis (the cause of infantile paralysis, of which the public are becoming increasingly aware through the many poignant tragedies they cause, almost no progress seems to have been made in spite of the most arduous efforts of many able men.

"Exhaustive observational study of an epidemic of encephalitis has failed to discover any clues by which the movements of the disease among the population can be followed or controlled.

"The only certain hope for the future lies in the steady support of scientific work in this field, any ingenuity which gives some new experimental method or any gain in accurate knowledge made at any one point is likely to aid progress along the whole line.

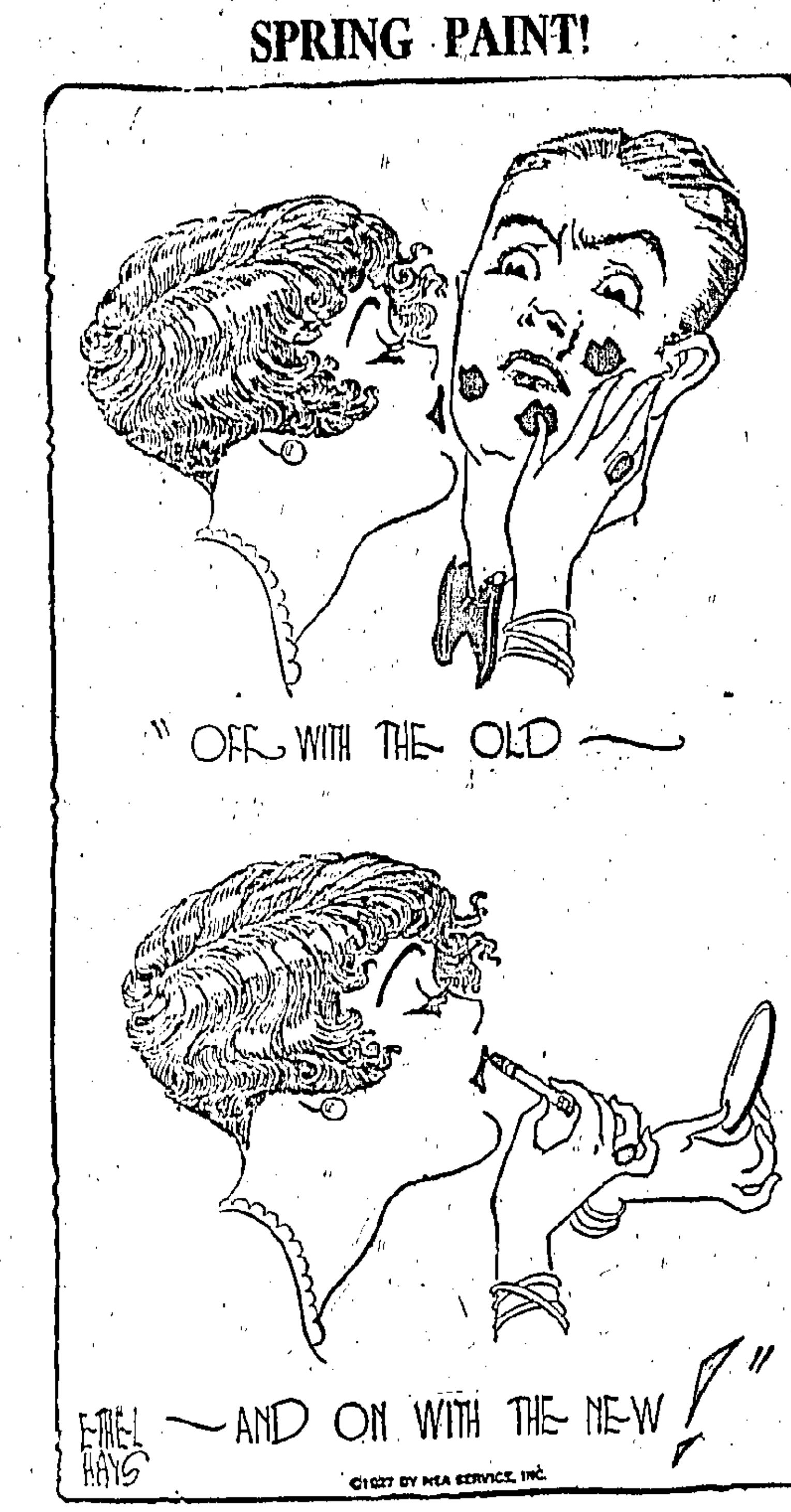
"In this matter we are standing almost where our grandfathers stood in relation to the visible bacteria before the science of bacteriology as we know it had been founded."

CATHEDRAL'S 12-INCH  
CRACKS.

Lincoln Cathedral has been saved from imminent collapse. But the ten year's task of restoring the edifice, which has been called "The Queen of English Cathedrals," is only half completed.

Whereas in St. Paul's the cracks have not measured much more than two inches, at Lincoln they measured as much as 12 inches.

For those entrusted with the work it has been touch and go. While thousands of gallons of liquid cement were being poured into one tottering tower another has been swaying, and everwidening gaps have been appearing throughout the great building. A journalist visited the scaffolding-enclosed building on the brow



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## HOME FOOTBALL.

## YESTERDAY'S LEAGUE RESULTS.

London, April 19. The following are results of matches played to-day in the English "soccer" League:

## Division I.

Blackburn	0	West Bromwich	0
Huddersfield	1	Newcastle	0
Leeds	0	Burnley	2
Wednesday	4	Birmingham	4
Sunderland	6	Bolton	2

## Division II.

Bradford C.	1	Notts County	2
Wolverhampton	1	Port Vale	2

## Division III (South).

Coventry	1	Aberdeen	0
Merthyr	1	Brentford	0
Northampton	2	Southend	1
Bristol Rovers	1	Millwall	1

## Division III (North).

Doncaster	2	Rotherham	2
Halifax	2	Tranmere	0
Rochdale	5	Barrow	1
Chesterfield	1	Hartlepools	0

—Reuter.

## IN BANDIT HANDS.

## (Continued from Page 1.)

The robbers saw the point of his argument, and being anxious to save their own skins at any price agreed to let him go.

## Robbers' Threat.

Before allowing him to depart the robbers made Mr. Metcalf promise to use his influence with the soldiers to stop the pursuit, threatening that if he did not do so, and also secure their safe return to Szechuan province whence they came, they would return and raze the "Forty-one villages." Mr. Metcalf did his best to persuade the robbers, but without success, and at the time of his writing was in fear that the robbers might return to the district and carry out their threat.

Mr. Metcalf was escorted by the pursuing soldiers to the town of Wuting, where he met a fellow missionary, and was afterwards taken to his wife. The couple were taken back to Wuting by the Chinese soldiers, after they had picked up their little girl. It is understood that the Chinese authorities intend a special campaign against the bandits in the district, and that until the campaign is over the foreigners are requested to remain in large towns where they can be protected against similar outrages.

Mr. Metcalf reports that affairs are very unsettled in Yunnan province, the governor not being reported to have gone "Red" and to have accepted an appointment from the Nationalist authorities. At the time of his writing, March 10, all foreigners had been warned by the British Consul in Yunnanfu to hold themselves in readiness for immediate evacuation.

## JAPANESE CABINET.

## MARKETS BOUYANT.

Osaka, April 19. All markets here are buoyant to-day, reflecting confidence in the soldier-premier who is expected to take the situation in hand promptly.—Reuter.

## CANTON CALM.

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trucks or village volunteers in the different districts to help the Government forces in subduing the "Red" peasants. The orders enumerate the crimes done by the "Reds" to the peasants, and state that this is the time for the villagers to save themselves from the "Red" yoke.

Marshal Chiang Kai-shek has sent a telegram to Canton in which he highly commends the services of Generals Li Chai-sum, Chen Ta-chun and Tang Yin-wah in suppressing the "Reds" in this province. Marshal Chiang orders that the matter should be settled without further delay.

## Special Trial Court.

The Special Kuomintang Committee for Kwangtung has adopted a plan to try the "Reds" in dealing with the extremists.

"Conditions in the city and suburbs continue to be peaceful and normal. The authorities announced that full protection is assured to the people pursuing their daily business.

"The Department of Labour and Peasantry has issued a proclamation to re-assure the workers. The proclamation states that workers and peasants will not be interfered with and their unions will be given due support in carrying out their legitimate plans for the improvement of their economic situation.

"The Police authorities have issued a notification warning the people not to take the law into their hands, and molest or arrest persons without proper cause. The proclamation states that the police only are entitled to effect arrests."

The report that Mr. Chan Shu-yan, a right-hand man of Mr. Wang Ching-wei, has been placed under arrest by the new regime is not confirmed.—*Nan Chung Pao*.

"Gazette's" Effort.

In view of the full reports which have been received here from reliable correspondents of the happenings at Canton in the course of the anti-"Red" coup, it is amusing to note the attempt by the *Canton Gazette* to minimise the occurrences in that city. The only account this paper publishes of affairs runs as follows:

"Early on Friday morning, the 15th inst., the Government authorities being informed of the presence of reactionary elements mixed with the popular organizations, and with a view to frustrate any attempts to disturb public peace and order promptly took the necessary steps to prevent trouble. General Chen Ta-chun, commander of the defence garrison, and Commissioner Tang Yin-wah, chief of the Police Bureau, acting in conformity with instructions received, sent sufficient forces to surround the places where the suspected elements were quartered and holding meetings.

There was no serious opposition except in Wangsha, where there was a concentration of bad characters. But the military and police forces in co-operation had no difficulty in effectively putting down the feeble resistance offered and arresting the leaders.

Population Reassured.

Martial law was temporarily enforced but the responsible Military authorities in a proclamation reassured the population and

explained the steps taken to maintain order. The great majority of the people were not aware that any unusual happenings were occurring until they woke up in the morning to find traffic suspended for a few hours and the absence of the general hum and movement in the daily routine. Rickshaws and motor buses were not in evidence and police and soldiers kept the main roads of the city cleared until 12 noon.

But immediately after 12 noon, the police removed all restrictions, and normal traffic was resumed, Rickshaws, motor buses and motor cars moving about freely.

Since Friday noon, when all restrictions were removed, the conditions have been absolutely normal; stores, hotels, cinema theatres and amusement places have been operating without interruption. On Saturday and yesterday (Sunday), conditions continued perfectly normal."

## All Now Quiet.

Yesterday's *Canton Gazette* has the following to say about latest conditions in the city:

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## Military Commissioner.

Owing to pressure of work at military headquarters, where he is responsible for all arrangements for military co-operation between the rear and the Northern Expeditionary forces at the front, General Li Chai-sum has tendered his resignation of the post of Provincial Commissioner of Military Affairs.

General Li recommended the appointment of General Hsu Ching-tang, commander of the 13th division, to take up the Commissionership, says the *Canton Gazette*.

General Li is a prominent anti-"Red" and had much to do with the organisation of the recent coup.

Fifty-two companies were incorporated under the U. S. China Trade Act from its enactment in 1922 up to the end of 1926, according to a statement by the Office of the Registrar, China Trade Act, United States Department of Commerce, 3 Canton Road, Shanghai. Of the 52 companies, 45 are actually operating, 3 not yet operating, and 4 dissolved. There are at present three companies whose applications are pending. The incorporated companies represent the following classes of trade: insurance agent, real estate agents, motor car distributors, engineering, general trading, plumbing and heating installations, machinery, motion pictures, finance, building contractors, hospital and pharmaceutical supplies, steamship agents, radio, paper, paints and varnish, rugs, and similar lines.

A suggestion has been made that the B.C.B. should broadcast community laughing. No date has been fixed for the experiment, but, if it is made, as it probably will be, a group of persons in the London Studio and others at Birmingham, Manchester, and other stations will be induced to laugh them laughing too.

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**PEASANTS UNION IN CONTROL.**

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**HANKOW CONDITIONS.****Belgian's Narrow Escape.**

Shanghai, April 19.

According to a message from Hankow dated the 14th there is still no protection outside the British Concession for foreigners.

A Belgian, Mr. A. V. Labis was assaulted by coolies on the waterfront and had his clothes nearly torn off. He only escaped owing to the misapprehension of a policeman who thought Mr. Labis's passport meant he was a Russian.

The British Consulate is being established on the steamer *Shantian*.

Sixteen Chinese were executed for circulating counter-propaganda and strike-breaking.—Reuters.

**SHANGHAI SEARCHES.****Seamen's Union Protests.**

The Shanghai Seamen's Union has wired a protest to the Chinese National Seamen's Union against the search by Japanese sailors of the Shanghai union's headquarters on North Szechuen Road.

The headquarters of the union, as well as adjacent dwellings, were surrounded and searched by the Japanese sailors on Monday.

The headquarters are in the same block housing the Odeon Theatre, but the theatre was not entered nor searched contrary to reports.

At the time of the search and seizure of arms and anti-foreign literature by the Japanese sailors, a cinema performance was being held in the theatre.

The performance was not interrupted and the patrons were in no way molested.

The Japanese also searched the Lee Tuh Labour Union in the building adjoining the Seamen's Union.

Ten members of the Union were placed under arrest and a quantity of arms and ammunition confiscated, including four axes.

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**MODERATE VIEWS.**

(Continued from Page 1.)

**JAPANESE OPINION.****Press Views on Present Situation.**

Tokyo, April 13.—The *Asahi*, in an editorial on the subject of General Chiang Kai-shek's coup d'état against the Communists in Chapei and Nantao, expresses the hope that his action will bring a saner and more healthy atmosphere and put an end to the anti-foreign disturbances in Shanghai, though it doubts, if his action will effect permanent good. The newspaper warns its own Government to act very discreetly and to avoid complicating matters by an active diplomatic policy.

Commenting on the Five-Power Note presented to the Nationalists yesterday, the *Jiji*, while hopeful that satisfaction will be given, asserts that the attitude of the Nationalists in the matter of the Note will serve as a test whereby the true extent of their sincerity and authority can be clarified.

**Trade Possimism.**

Considerable anxiety is expressed in Japanese business circles concerning the prolonged disturbances in China.

The *Asahi*, reviewing the situation, reflects the prevailing pessimism. Emphasizing that last year's favourable balance of trade with the neighbouring Republic is already fast declining, the paper expresses the fear of a complete reversal in the near future if the prevailing commotion continues.

The cotton industry, says the paper, is the worst hit, practically no business being done in Central China during March, while in Tientsin and in Manchuria there is a steady depreciation.

Marine transport, the *Asahi* continues, which showed signs of recovery after a prolonged period of depression, is again hard hit, the paper computing that there was at least a Yen 4,000,000 loss during the first half of the current year.

China. He pointed out that to raise the standard of living of the people was one of the Sun Yat-sen principles, but it was also recognized that that could not be brought about except through the promotion of industries and commerce and the co-operation of capital and labour. This matter was of peculiar concern to himself, said Dr. Kung, as Minister of Industry and Commerce, and he viewed it just as important that foreign commercial intercourse should also be maintained, and stabilized in the case of products by the operation of a reasonable system of customs tariffs, when China practices Customs autonomy such as practiced by other countries. It will be only then that China will be able to promote her home industries and at the same time encourage the importation of certain foreign goods. China will then be a big market of the world, because she will need more things than the other nations in the world can offer.

The preservation of law and order was essential to this commercial prosperity, leading to the improvement of the conditions of the people, and such being the case, the Nationalist Government takes a firm stand against the actions of agitators which will disturb the prosperity and peace of the people, added Dr. Kung.

Dr. Kung who was educated in America at various Universities, where he received the dégrée of Doctor of Laws in addition to his B. A. and M. A., has travelled extensively all over the world and has studied the industrial and commercial conditions of the countries which he visited. He is returning to Shanghai to-day on his way to Nanking, which will be the future capital of all China, he stated.

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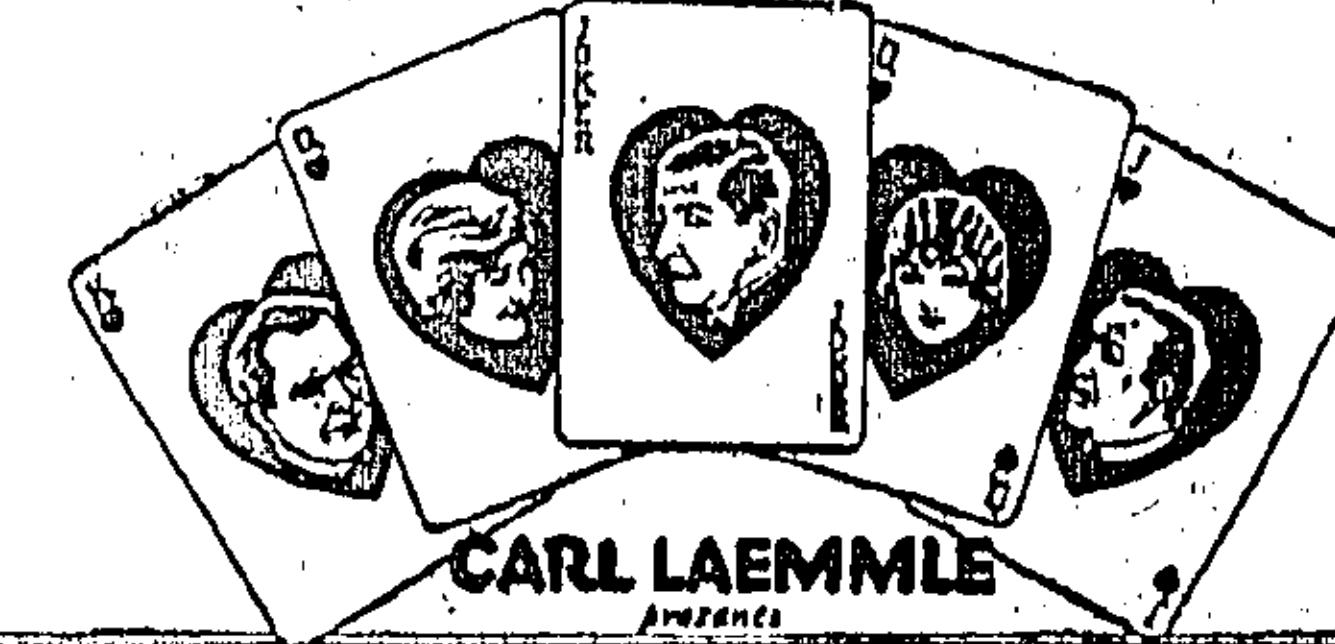
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**Entertainments.**

**EDWARD EVERETT HORTON**  
and  
**LAURA LA PLANTE**

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BAND OF 1st BN. CAMERONIANS

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**FINAL PERFORMANCE**

A bequest of £25 has been made to Messrs. J. Lyons & Company, Ltd., for a competition by waitresses for efficiency and popularity, by Mr. Charles Hunter, who died on February 19, at the age of 58. Mr. Hunter had been in the employ of the firm for 25 years. The extract from Mr. Hunter's will governing the bequest reads:—"To the directors of my firm, J. Lyons & Company, Ltd., Cadby Hall, £25 for 'Charles Hunter Cup' to be competed for annually in the shop's section by waitresses for efficiency and popularity; or in such similar form as may be decided upon by a committee of divisional superintendents. This cup or award to be kept in view in deposit and guarded as considered advisable." A mark of my appreciation of many attentions to our staff at our shops."

A wholesale absorption of rural Downland territory within the boundaries of the country borough of Brighton and the municipal borough of Hove is being considered. Brighton already has before Parliament a Bill which seeks to "annex" the cliffside village of Rottingdean, the village of Patcham on the main London-Brighton road, the village of Ovingdean (rendered famous by Harrison Ainsworth's novel and its associations with Sussex smugglers), and a part of the village of Falmer, which lies between Brighton and Lewes. Now, as the result of representations made on behalf of the East Sussex County Council, the Bill is to be amended to include an eastern portion of the parish of West Blatchington. Hove is applying to the Ministry of Health for permission to take over the rest of the parish of Hangleton.